

## ARMY SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY SYMPOSIUM AND SHOWCASE

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## SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

#### **TUESDAY, AUGUST 21**

#### **Registration Open**

7:00 am - 5:30 pm

#### **General Session**

8:00 - 9:30 am

## Grand Opening of the Science & Technology Showcase & Poster Review

9:30 am - 5:30 pm

#### **General Session**

10:00 - 11:30 am

#### Lunch

11:15 am - 1:00 pm

#### **Concurrent Sessions**

1:00 - 2:00 pm

#### **Concurrent Sessions**

2:30 - 3:30 pm

## Welcome Networking Reception and Poster Review

3:30 - 5:30 pm

#### **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22**

#### **Registration Open**

7:00 am - 6:30 pm

#### **General Session**

8:00 - 9:30 am

## Grand Opening of the Science & Technology Showcase and Poster Review

9:30 am - 6:30 pm

#### **General Session**

10:00 - 11:30 am

#### Lunch

12:00 am - 1:00 pm

#### **Concurrent Sessions**

1:00 - 3:00 pm

#### **Concurrent Sessions**

3:30 - 4:30 pm

#### Networking Reception and Poster

Review

4:30 - 6:30 pm

#### **THURSDAY, AUGUST 23**

#### **Registration Open**

7:00 - 11:30 am

#### **Concurrent Sessions**

8:00 - 10:00 am

#### **Concurrent Sessions**

10:30 - 11:30 am

#### Symposium Concludes

11:30 am



## **EVENT INFORMATION**

LOCATION

Walter E. Washington Convention Center 801 Mt. Vernon Place NW Washington, DC 20001

**EVENT WEBSITE** 

NDIA.org/Army-Science

**EVENT THEME** 

Empowering a Soldier's Success

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## **AGENDA**

#### **TUESDAY, AUGUST 21**

7:00 AM - 5:30 PM REGISTRATION OPEN

EXHIBIT HALL C

7:00 – 8:00 AM CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

PREFUNCTION OF ROOM 146

8:00 – 8:15 AM WELCOME REMARKS

**ROOM 146** 

Gen Herbert "Hawk" Carlisle, USAF (Ret)

President and CEO, NDIA

8:15 – 9:00 AM KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**ROOM 146** 

GEN James C. McConville, USA

Vice Chief of Staff

9:30 AM GRAND OPENING OF THE SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

SHOWCASE AND POSTER REVIEW IN EXHIBIT HALL

EXHIBIT HALL C

9:15 - 10:00 AM **GUEST SPEAKER** 

**ROOM 146** 

Dr. Bruce D. Jette

Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology)

10:00 - 10:30 AM NETWORKING BREAK IN EXHIBIT HALL Sponsored by PAR SR

EXHIBIT HALL C

10:30 – 11:15 AM **GUEST SPEAKER** 

**ROOM 146** 

LTG Thomas Spoehr, USA (Ret)

Director, Center for National Defense, The Heritage Foundation



#### CONCURRENT TECHNICAL SESSIONS

1:00 - 2:00 PM

#### C3/C4ISR

**ROOM 152 A/B** 

#### **Network/C3I Army Modernization Priority**

Mr. Seth Spoenlein

Deputy Director, Space and Terrestrial Communications Directorate, Army Communications-Electronics Research, **Development and Engineering Center** 

#### **Embedding Simulation into Mission Command Systems**

Dr. John R. Surdu

Senior Scientist, Cole Engineering Systems, Inc.

#### Use of RF Spectrum Monitoring Assets for 3D Geolocation and Drone Detection

Mickey Patterson

Senior Account Executive, CRFS

1:00 - 2:00 PM

#### INTEGRATED FIRES

**ROOM 151 A/B** 

#### Army Science and Technology to Support Long Range Precision Fires Modernization

Michael C. George

Army Research, Development, and Engineering Command

#### Digital Radar Technology for Air and Missile Defense

Dr. Gregory Mitchell

Army Research Laboratory

#### Integrating Fires for Air and Missile Defense C2: The Human Dimension

Rob Jassev

Program Manager, Missile Defense and Protective Systems Division, Northrop Grumman

1:00 - 2:00 PM

#### PANEL: DISRUPTIVE TECHNOLOGIES

**ROOM 150 A/B** 

Blaise Zandoli

Army Applications Lab, Army Futures Command

Moderator

Dr. Paul Baker

**EXHIBIT HALL C** 

Atomic and Molecular Program Manager, Army Research Laboratory Dr. Henry Kapteyn

JILA, University of Colorado,

and KMLabs

Dr. Jerrold Prothero

Co-founder and CEO Astrapi Corp.

2:00 - 2:30 PM

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#### CONCURRENT TECHNICAL SESSIONS

#### 2:30 – 3:30 PM PANEL: HUMAN APTITUDE ASSESSMENTS

**ROOM 152 A/B** 

Dr. Kara Orvis

Vice President, Research and Development Group, Aptima, Inc.

Moderator

**Dr. Randy J. Brou**Research Psychologist
Army Research Institute

Dr. William S. Weyhrauch
Research Psychologist
Army Research Institute

**Dr. Alexander Wind**Research Psychologist
Army Research Institute

#### 2:30 - 3:30 PM

#### PANEL: MACHINE REASONING FOR DECISION SUPPORT

**ROOM 151 A/B** 

Syeed Mansur CEO, DeepCortex Moderator

Dr. Lance Kaplan

Team Leader Army Research Laboratory Dr. Charles Kim

Professor, Howard University

Dr. Nick Vlahopoulos

Professor, University of Michigan

#### 2:30 - 3:30 PM

#### **EXPEDITIONARY OPERATIONS**

**ROOM 150 A/B** 

#### **Resilient Communications with Hybrid Adaptive Networking**

Craig Miller

Vice President and Chief Technical Officer, Viasat, Inc.

#### **Deep Learning Application for Radio Frequency Data**

Adam Thompson

Senior Solutions Architect, NVIDIA

Large Virtual Aperture Hyper-spectral NANO-SAT Formations for Operationally Responsive Space-based Identification and Tracking of Fuel Vapors, Lethal Gasses, and Other Hyperspectral Applications

Arnold Kravitz

President, Innovim Defense Services

## **Energy Efficient "Shelter in Shelter" Concept for Large Expeditionary Structures Application**

Reza Salavani

Energy Program Manager, Air Force Civil Engineer Center

#### 3:30 - 5:30 PM

## WELCOME NETWORKING RECEPTION AND POSTER REVIEW IN EXHIBIT HALL

**EXHIBIT HALL C** 



#### **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22**

**REGISTRATION OPEN** 7:00 AM - 6:30 PM

**EXHIBIT HALL C** 

**NETWORKING CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST** 7:00 - 8:00 AM

PREFUNCTION OF ROOM 146

ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS 8:00 - 8:15 AM

**ROOM 146** 

Capt Frank Michael, USN (Ret)

Senior Vice President of Program Development, NDIA

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER** 8:15 - 9:00 AM

**ROOM 146** 

Mary Miller

Performing the Duties of Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering

**GUEST SPEAKER** 9:00 - 9:30 AM

**ROOM 146** 

Dr. Thomas Russell

Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Research and Technology)

**OPENING OF THE SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY** 9:30 AM

SHOWCASE AND POSTER REVIEW IN EXHIBIT HALL

**EXHIBIT HALL C** 

NETWORKING BREAK IN EXHIBIT HALL Sponsored by PARGSR 9:30 - 10:00 AM

**EXHIBIT HALL C** 

**GUEST SPEAKER** 10:15 - 11:00 AM

**ROOM 146** 

MG Bill Hix, USA (Ret)

Founder and Managing Partner, Next Horizons Partners

11:00 - 12:00 AM PANEL: SCIENCE TO APPLICATION,

OVERCOMING THE TECHNOLOGY VALLEY OF DEATH

Dr. Thomas Russell

Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Research & Technology)

John S. Willison

Deputy to the Commanding General of Army Research,

Development, and Engineering Command

Dr. David E. Walker

Director of Technology Office of Naval Research Thomas Lockhart

Director of Plans and Programs, Air Force Research Laboratory

Dr. Thomas Karako

Senior Fellow, Director of the Missile Defense Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies

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#### CONCURRENT TECHNICAL SESSIONS

#### 1:00 – 2:00 PM PANEL: IMMERSIVE TECHNOLOGIES

**ROOM 152 A/B** 

RADM James A. Robb, USN (Ret)

President, National Training and Simulation Association

Moderator

Dave Fluegeman

Vice President of Simulation, Barco

Dr. David Darkow

Army Research, Development, and Engineering Command

**Dr. W. Geoffrey Wright**Associate Professor
Temple University

#### 1:00 - 2:00 PM

#### MATERIALS SCIENCE

**ROOM 151 A/B** 

#### Friction Stir Welded Aluminum Hull Structure Material Fatigue Analysis

Victor Burguess

Army Research, Development, and Engineering Command

## **Development of Flexible Wrinkle-free Optical Stress Sensor** for Studying Cell Substrate Interactions

Dr. Jian Sheng

Associate Professor, Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi

## **Enhancing Warfighter Performance with Non-Invasive Neurostimulation Enabled by Dry Skin Electrodes**

Dr. Amy M. Heintz

Research Leader, Battelle

#### Phase Change Material Filled Graphite for Electronics Cooling in Transient Environments

Dr. James W. Klett

Senior Research Staff Member, Oak Ridge National Laboratory

#### 1:00 - 2:00 PM

#### OPERATIONAL/EXPEDITIONARY ENERGY

ROOM 150 A/B

#### Advances in Li/CFx Non-rechargeable Batteries for Portable Electronic Systems

Julianne Douglas

Energy Harvesting Technology Lead, Army Communications-Electronics Research, Development and Engineering Center

#### **Soldier-Borne Power Generation in Tier 1 Environments**

**Noel Soto** 

Army Research, Development, and Engineering Command

#### Photovoltaic/Thermal (PV/T) Energy Addition to Expeditionary Buildings

Michael Tomac

Process and Design Engineer, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology

#### Active Cooling Thermally Induced Vapor-Polymerization Effect (ACTIVE)

Dr. Gong Zhou

 $Senior\ Chemical\ Engineer,\ SMART\ Energy\ Group,\ Applied\ Research\ Associates,\ Inc.$ 



#### CONCURRENT TECHNICAL SESSIONS

2:00 - 3:00 PM

#### **HUMAN SYSTEMS INTEGRATION**

**ROOM 152 A/B** 

#### **Preliminary Characterization of Head-Supported Mass Exposure** in a Simulated Dismounted Operating Environment

Dr. Bethany L. Shivers

Research Kinesiologist, Army Aeromedical Research Laboratory

#### **Graphene Electronic Tattoos for Imperceptible Human Monitoring and Human-System Interfaces**

Dr. Deji Akinwande

Professor, University of Texas - Austin

#### **Tactical Augmented Reality, Precisely Where You Need It: Bringing Registered AR to the Field**

Eric M. Jones

Human Systems Architecture, Draper

2:00 - 3:00 PM

#### PANEL: STEM/EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH

**ROOM 151 A/B** 

**David Burns** 

Director, STEM Innovation Networks, Battelle Moderator

Jacey Wilkins Cavanagh

National Coordinator, MakerMinded

Dr. Victor M. Nakano

Executive Program Director, Johns Hopkins University

Evelyn Villanueva

Research Geologist, Army Corps of Engineers, Engineer Research and Development Center

Justin Wang

Student, Chantilly High School

2:00 - 3:00 PM

#### **DIRECTED ENERGY**

**ROOM 150 A/B** 

#### A Compact Modular High-Power Microwave Gun

Dr. James Tatoian

Chairman and CEO, Eureka Aerospace Inc.

#### Lasers for DEW Based on Fully Crystalline Fibers

Dr. Mark Dubinskiy

Team Lead, Advanced Solid State Lasers, Army Research Laboratory

**New Process for Efficient Laser Pumping for IRCM: Three-for-One Cross-Relaxation** 

Dr. Larry Merkle

Scientist and Engineer, General Technical Services

3:00 - 3:30 PM

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#### CONCURRENT TECHNICAL SESSIONS

#### 3:30 – 4:30 PM PANEL: MANNED-UNMANNED TEAMING

**ROOM 152 A/B** 

#### Matt Whalley

Army Aviation and Missile Research, Development, and Engineering Center Moderator

#### **Jeffery Ernat**

Team Leader for Autonomy Teaming, Army Tank Automotive Research and Development Engineering Center

#### Dr. Ozlem Kilic

Professor, The Catholic University of America

#### Dr. Daniel E. Koditschek

Professor, University of Pennsylvania

#### Matthew England

Vice President of Business Development, Citadel Defense Company

#### 3:30 - 4:30 PM

#### **NEUROSCIENCE**

**ROOM 151 A/B** 

#### Taking New Concepts for Systems Design and Control from Neuroscience to Accelerate Innovation in Artificial Intelligence

Dr. Kelvin S. Oie

Senior Campaign Scientist for Human Sciences, Army Research Laboratory

#### A Pilot Study to Characterize the Epigenomic Status of the U.S. OEF/OIF War Veterans with PTSD

CPT Derese Getnet, USA

Principal Investigator, Integrative Systems Biology, Army Center for Environmental Health Research

#### **Brain Tissue Mechanics in Blast Loading**

Dr. Kurosh Darvish

Associate Professor, Temple University

## Variability in Human Head Surrogate Data with Changes to Boundary Conditions in Blunt and Blast Trauma

Abdus Ali

PhD Student, New Jersey Institute of Technology

#### 3:30 - 4:30 PM

#### **HUMAN PERFORMANCE OPTIMIZATION AND ENHANCEMENT**

ROOM 150 A/B

#### **Biophysics-based Measuring and Modeling of Social Dynamics**

Dr. Lisa Troyer

Program Manager, Army Research Office/Army Research Laboratory

#### **Exoskeletons for Soldier Augmentation: Current Research Perspectives**

Karen N. Gregorczyk

Biomech Team and Physical Performance Branch Lead, Army Natick Soldier Research, Development and Engineering Center

## Development and Testing of Augmented Reality Command, Control, Communicate, Coordinate (ARC4) for Enhanced Battlefield Situational Awareness

Dr. Eric Gans

Principal Engineer, Applied Research Associates

#### Warrior Performance Platform (WP2™) for U.S. Navy: Leveraging Best-of-Breed Human Performance Tracking and Analytics Technology to Enhance Navy's Physical Fitness, Wellness, and Nutrition Capabilities

Jake Repanshek

Director of Solutions and Technology, The Informatics Application Group, Inc.



4:30 - 6:30 PM

#### NETWORKING RECEPTION AND POSTER REVIEW IN EXHIBIT HALL

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#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 23

7:00 – 11:30 AM REGISTRATION OPEN

PREFUNCTION OF ROOM 146

7:00 – 8:00 AM NETWORKING CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

PREFUNCTION OF ROOM 146

#### CONCURRENT TECHNICAL SESSIONS

#### 8:00 – 9:00 AM SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY AND LIVING MATERIALS

**ROOM 152 A/B** 

#### **Production of Tunable Nanomaterials Using Assembled Bacteriophage Droplets**

Dr. Edward Perkins

Senior Scientist, Environmental Networks and Toxicology, Army Corps of Engineers

#### **Microbial Reactors - Indigenous Feed Stocks to Functional Materials**

Dr. Katherine L. Germane

Research Biologist, Army Research Laboratory

## Genetic Tools and Synthetic Biology "Parts" for Clostridium Acetobutylicum, a Microbe of Military Interest

Dr. Alexander V. Tobias

Senior Researcher, General Technical Services, LLC

## Bioinformatic and Deep-Learning Insight into Engineered DNA at Synthetic Biology Foundries

Dr. Mikhail Y. Wolfson

Senior Software Engineer, Ginkgo Bioworks

#### 8:00 – 9:00 AM ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

**ROOM 151 A/B** 

#### **Human Emotion Recognition Using Fused Physiological Signals**

Dr. Shaun J. Canavan

Assistant Professor, University of South Florida

#### **Artificial Intelligence and Intelligent Systems: Army Challenges**

Dr. Brian M. Sadler

Army Senior Scientist for Intelligent Systems, Army Research Laboratory

#### Biologically Inspired Processor for Ultra-Low Power Video Surveillance Applications

Dr. Lester A. Foster

Chief Technology Officer, EWA Government Systems Inc.

#### **Implementing Emotions in Cognitive Robots**

Dr. Lyle N. Long

Professor, Penn State University

#### 8:00 - 9:00 AM

#### PANEL: VEHICLE MOBILITY AND ARCHITECTURES

**ROOM 150 A/B** 

Dr. Bruce Brendle

Army Research, Development, and Engineering Command Moderator

**Dion Anglin** 

Director, Cummins, Inc.

Jason Pusey

Mechanical Engineer, Army Research Laboratory

Dr. Paramsothy Jayakumar

Senior Technical Expert, Analytics, Army Tank Automotive Research, Development and Engineering Center

Dr. Chuanbo Yang

Energy Storage Engineer,

National Renewable Energy Laboratory

#### CONCURRENT TECHNICAL SESSIONS

#### 9:00 - 10:00 AM

#### QUANTUM COMMUNICATIONS AND SENSING

**ROOM 152 A/B** 

#### Schrödinger's Web — Race to Build the Quantum Internet

Dr. Jonathan P. Dowling

Co-Director, Hearne Institute for Theoretical Physics, Hearne Chair Professor of Theoretical Physics Louisiana State University

#### Director, Institute for Theoretical Physics High-rate Entanglement **Generation Using Real Quantum Memories**

Dr. Siddhartha Santra

Postdoctoral Research Associate, Army Research Laboratory

#### **Optimal Pulse Schemes for High-precision Atom Interferometry**

Dr. Michael H. Goerz

Postdoctoral Fellow, Army Research Laboratory

#### **Quantum-secured Communications Over an Optical Network**

Dr. George Siopsis

Professor, University of Tennessee

#### 9:00 - 10:00 AM

#### PANEL: VERTICAL LIFT

**ROOM 151 A/B** 

Army Aviation and Missile Research, Development, and Engineering Center Moderator

Dr. Mulugeta A. Haile

Research Aerospace Engineer Army Research Laboratory

Eric Spero

Team Lead Army Research Laboratory Dr. Andrew Wissink

Army Aviation and Missile Research, Development, and Engineering Center



9:00 - 10:00 AM

#### **INTELLIGENT SYSTEMS**

150 A/B

#### **Deep Learning for Future Army Systems**

Dr. Michael Lee

Team Lead, Army Research Laboratory

#### Tactical Short-Range Radar for Personnel Tracking with Split Brain Autoencoders

Samuel Savage

Software Design Engineer, Alion Science and Technology

#### **Generative Adversarial Networks for Thermal Imagery Data Augmentation**

Dr. Lance E. Besaw

Senior Robotics Researcher, Neya Systems

10:00 - 10:30 AM

#### **NETWORKING BREAK**

PREFUNCTION OF ROOM 146

#### CONCURRENT TECHNICAL SESSIONS

10:30 - 11:30 AM

#### FORCE PROTECTION AND SURVIVABILITY

**ROOM 152 A/B** 

## Materials and Manufacturing Advancements to Demonstrate Objective Underbody Protection

Dr. Bryan Cheeseman

Rapid Technology Transition Team Leader, Army Research Laboratory

#### **Advanced Ceramics for Future Soldier Protection Technologies**

Dr. Kristopher D. Behler

Senior Material Scientist, Army Research Laboratory

## **Automating Science to Rapidly Discover Higher Performing Armor Ceramics for Readiness Today**

Michael Golt

Materials Engineer, Army Research Laboratory

## Forward-Looking, Synthetic Aperture Radar (FLSAR) Concept for Landing in Degraded Visual Environments (DVE)

Dr. Traian Dogaru

Electronics Engineer, Army Research Laboratory

10:30 - 11:30 AM

#### POINT OF NEED MANUFACTURING

**ROOM 151 A/B** 

#### Extrusion-Based, Additively Printed Magnets Outperforming Traditional Injection Molded Magnets

Dr. Mariappan P. Paranthaman

Corporate Fellow and Group Leader, Oak Ridge National Laboratory

## Operationalizing Additive Manufacturing to Ensure Warfighter Readiness and Modernization

Jim Zunino

Army Research, Development, and Engineering Command

#### Material Recycling in 3D Printing/Material Sustainability in Additive Manufacturing

Lynn Ahrens

Student, Ursuline Academy

Dr. Andres Tovar

Professor, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

## Systematic Development of Framework for Validation and Performance Quantification of Additively Manufactured (AM) Replacement Parts for Structural Steel Applications

Thomas Gallmeyer

Ph.D. Student, Colorado School of Mines

10:30 - 11:30 AM

#### PANEL: ELECTROMAGNETIC SPECTRUM DOMINANCE

**ROOM 151 A/B** 

Dr. Jeffrey Boksiner

Senior Research Scientist, Intelligence and Information Warfare Directorate, Communications-Electronics Research, Development and Engineering Center, Army Research, Development and Engineering Command *Moderator* 

Ellen L. Holthoff

Chemist, Army Research Laboratory

Eric Holzman

Northrop Grumman Mission Systems

#### 11:30 AM SYMPOSIUM ADJOURNS

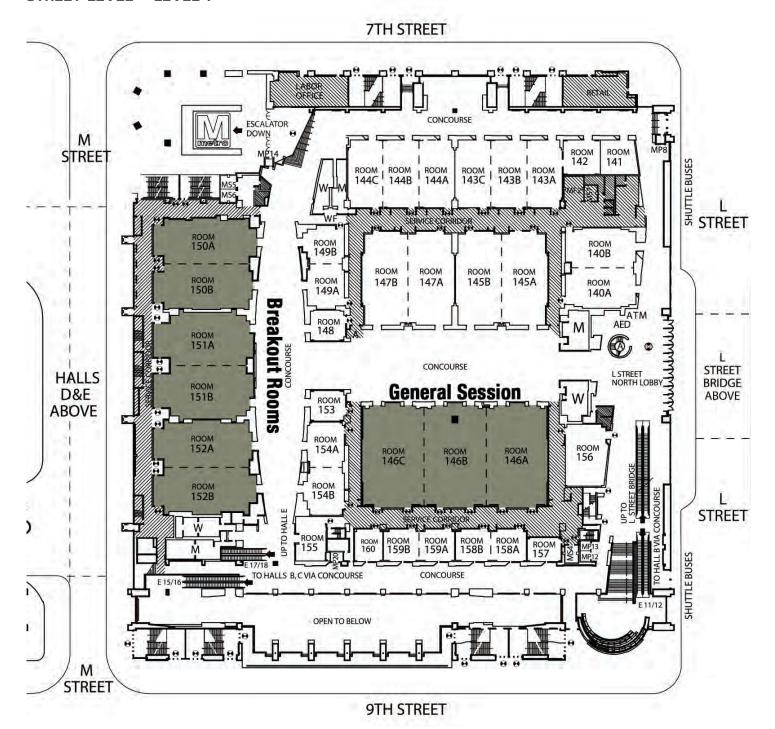
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### **BIOGRAPHIES**



#### GEN JAMES C. MCCONVILLE, USA

36th Vice Chief of Staff of the Army

Gen. James C. McConville assumed duties as the 36th vice chief of staff of the Army, June 16, 2017.

He is a native of Quincy, Massachusetts, and a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York. He holds a Master of Science in Aerospace Engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology and was a National Security Fellow at Harvard University in 2002.

McConville's command assignments include commanding general of the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), where he also served as the commanding general of Combined Joint Task Force-101, Operation

Enduring Freedom; deputy commanding general (support) of Combined Joint Task Force-101, Operation

Enduring Freedom; commander of 4th Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division, Operation Iraqi Freedom; commander of 2nd Squadron, 17th Calvary Regiment, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault); and commander of C Troop, 2nd Squadron, 9th Cavalry Regiment, 7th Infantry Division (Light).

His key staff assignments include the Army deputy chief of staff, G-1; chief of legislative liaison; executive officer to the vice chief of staff of the Army; G-3 for 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault); J5 strategic planner for U.S. Special Operations Command; S-3 for 25th Combat Aviation Brigade; S-3 for 5th Squadron, 9th Cavalry; and S-3 for Flight Concepts Division.

McConville is senior Army aviator qualified in the AH-64D Longbow Apache, OH-58 Kiowa Warrior, AH-6, AH-1 Cobra and other aircrafts. His awards and decorations include two Distinguished Service Medals, three Legions of Merit, three Bronze Star Medals, two Defense Meritorious Service Medals, three Meritorious Service Medals, two Air Medals, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, two Army Commendation Medals, four Army Achievement Medals, the Combat Action Badge, the Expert Infantryman's Badge, the Master Army Aviator Badge, the Air Assault Badge, the Parachutist Badge, and the Army Staff Identification Badge.

McConville and his wife, Maria, have three children serving in the military.



#### DR. BRUCE D. JETTE

Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology) and Army Acquisition Executive

Dr. Bruce D. Jette was confirmed by the United States Senate as the Assistant Secretary of the Army

for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology (ASA(ALT)) on December 20, 2017, and sworn into office on January 2, 2018. In this position, he serves as the Army Acquisition Executive, the Senior Procurement Executive, the Science Advisor to the Secretary of the Army, and the Army's Senior Research and Development official. He also has principal responsibility for all Department of the Army matters related to logistics.

Jette leads the execution of the Army's acquisition function and the acquisition management system. His responsibilities include providing oversight for the life cycle management and sustainment of Army weapon systems and equipment from research and development through test and evaluation, acquisition, logistics, fielding, and disposition. He is also responsible for appointing, managing, and evaluating program executive officers and managing the

Army Acquisition Corps and Army Acquisition Workforce. In addition, he oversees the Elimination of Chemical Weapons program.

Before his confirmation, Jette served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Synovision Solutions, LLC, an innovative company he founded to provide management and technical consulting, engineering services, and project management in support of military and governmental agencies, as well as commercial industry.

A decorated veteran of 28 years of active duty, Jette retired as a Colonel following a career that included several armor and cavalry company commands, two overseas tours, various staff assignments at the battalion and brigade level, and over two years of operational deployments to Afghanistan, Iraq and Kuwait. Highlights of his previous acquisition service include founding the U.S. Army Rapid Equipping Force; serving as Program Manager for Solider Systems which led to the establishment of Program Executive Office Soldier; and being honored as U.S. Army

PM of the Year for his success as Product Manager for all Army airborne electronic warfare systems.

Jette is a graduate of the United States
Military Academy with a Bachelor of
Science degree in Nuclear Engineering and
Chemistry. He also holds both a Master
of Science degree and a Doctorate in
Electronic Materials from the Massachusetts
Institute of Technology. He was an Adjunct
Professor at the Edmund A. Walsh School of
Foreign Service Security Studies Program at
Georgetown University.

His numerous military awards and commendations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit (3), Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3), Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal (2), National Defense Medal (2), Operation Iraqi Freedom Campaign Ribbon, Operation Enduring Freedom Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Army Overseas Ribbon (2), Parachutist Badge, Army General Staff Award, and Order of Saint Maurice (Legionnaire).





#### **MARY MILLER**

Performing the Duties of Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering

Mary Miller is performing the duties of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and

Engineering. In April 2016, she joined the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics as the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering. She's responsible for research and development to ensure U.S. technological superiority. She leads and guides development and execution of the science and technology enterprise as well as joint prototyping and experimentation efforts, systems engineering and developmental test policies and procedures.

Miller oversees research at 63 defense laboratories, warfare centers and engineering centers, and prototyping, systems engineering and developmental test efforts for the department. She promotes coordination and cooperation across defense components, between DoD and other federal and non-federal agencies and organizations and ensures technological exchange with allied and partner nations. Miller also serves as the U.S. principal for The Technical Cooperation Program.

Miller served three years as the Deputy
Assistant Secretary of the Army for
Research and Technology, where she was
responsible for policy and oversight of the
research and technology programs at 16
laboratories and research, development and
engineering centers. She was charged with

identifying, developing and demonstrating technology options for soldiers. Her science and technology portfolio covered basic research through development and demonstration of components, subsystems, manufacturing technology and technology system prototypes.

Miller received a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from the University of Washington, an M.S. in Electrical Engineering, Electro-Physics, from George Washington University, and an M.B.A. from the University of Tennessee. She was selected in 2005 to the Senior Executive Service and is Defense Acquisition Workforce Level III certified in Program Management; Engineering; and Science and Technology Management.



#### DR. THOMAS P. RUSSELL

Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Research and Technology) and Army Chief Scientist

Dr. Thomas Russell was selected as the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Research

and Technology and Army Chief Scientist in April 2016. He is responsible for policy and oversight of the Army's Research and Technology program, which spans 16 Laboratories and Research, Development and Engineering Centers, employs nearly 12,000 scientists and engineers, and has an annual budget that exceeds \$2.4 billion.

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Before joining the Department of the Army, Russell served as Director of the Air Force Office of Scientific Research (AFOSR) from 2010–2013 where he oversaw the management of the Air Force's basic research investments. He managed the AFOSR's investment portfolio, and he transitioned the resulting discoveries to other components of the Air Force Research Laboratory, to defense industries, and to other federal agencies. Russell served as the Director of the Aerospace and Material Sciences Directorate within AFOSR where

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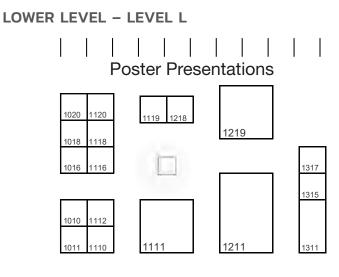


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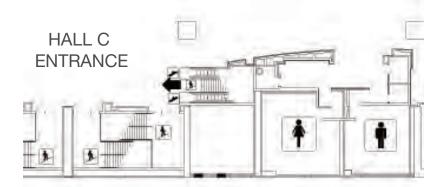
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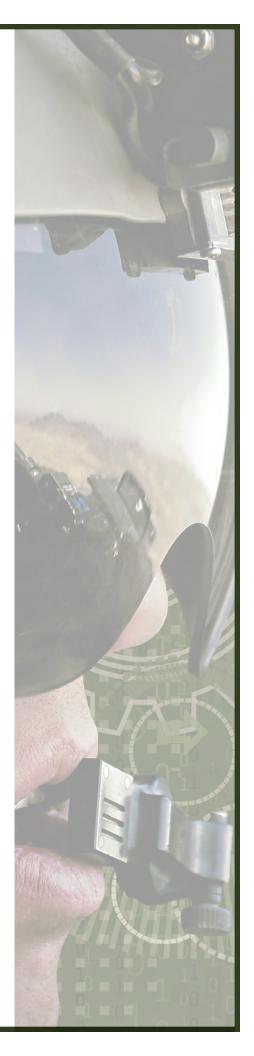
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# Drone Based Autonomous Antenna Swarms

Communications and Control Aspects for Manned-Unmanned Teaming

- The Catholic University of America:
  - Ozlem Kilic Antenna system design, swarm optimization
  - Erion Plaku Swarm motion planning, optimization
- University of Tennessee, Knoxville
  - Aly E. Fathy Radar system design, synchronization and localization

# Interdisciplinary Collaboration

- Develop an autonomous, distributed system to remotely sense, image, or monitor an activity or a particular property of interest in a difficult to reach/hostile environment
- Use microwave technology (high penetration of barriers, night time use, privacy)



# Objectives

Drones provide platform for beam switching between satellites/base stations on the ground.

**CCU** 

#### **ADVANTAGES:**

Adjustable altitude, mobility, low cost, low infrastructure, reliable, flexibility, can provide high data rate, real time support.

#### **APPLICATIONS:**

Communications, disaster area coverage, search and rescue, security surveillance, agriculture, flying base stations for reliable and cost effective wireless connectivity, border patrol with real time support

Concept

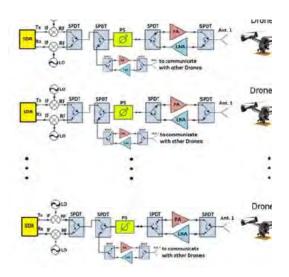
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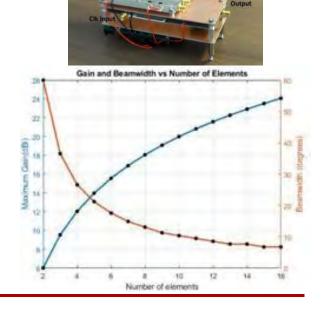
satellite/groun

d station

- The antenna array system is composed of multiple single-antenna drones
- Reconfigurable using relative spacing, number of elements, and phase shifters.
- Not limited by space constraints
- Gain along a given direction is controlled via relative drone positioning and/or phase are adjustments.

# Antenna System





• CCU – satellite/ground station —

The connection to ground is the bottle neck of drone technology, and needs to be done in real time. Improving the connection would improve RF link budgets

Swarm – CCU



for coordination, interference mitigation, relaying, routing in the air

- Swarm ROI (region of interest)
  - Multiple drones can be used as an aerial antenna array and can effectively provide wireless service to ground users.
  - Service time is minimized by optimizing the wireless transmission time and control time needed for movement and stabilization of drones.
  - Transmission time can be minimized by increasing the array gain upon optimizing the drone spacing.
  - A tradeoff needed to minimize control time, transmission time, serving multiple users by adjusting number and location of drones
  - Synchronization with GPS would allow precise localization

## Communications

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- Interference
- Handover and movements
- Resource management
- Security and privacy
- Energy efficiency
- Path planning
- Drone antennas small, light weight, robust

# Challenges and Limitations

- Use of electronically scanned antennas: Maximize: range, persistence, data rate, and lifetime.
- Better solution when fixed beam or mechanically gimbaled apertures not viable.
- Advantages: low mass, mechanical simplicity, directing energy into a spot, higher efficiency, better autonomous flight duration.
- A ground station can follow a planned route of the drone, steering its own beam, or the drone can maintain connectivity to one or various ground stations that are located in fixed or known positions.

# Our Approach

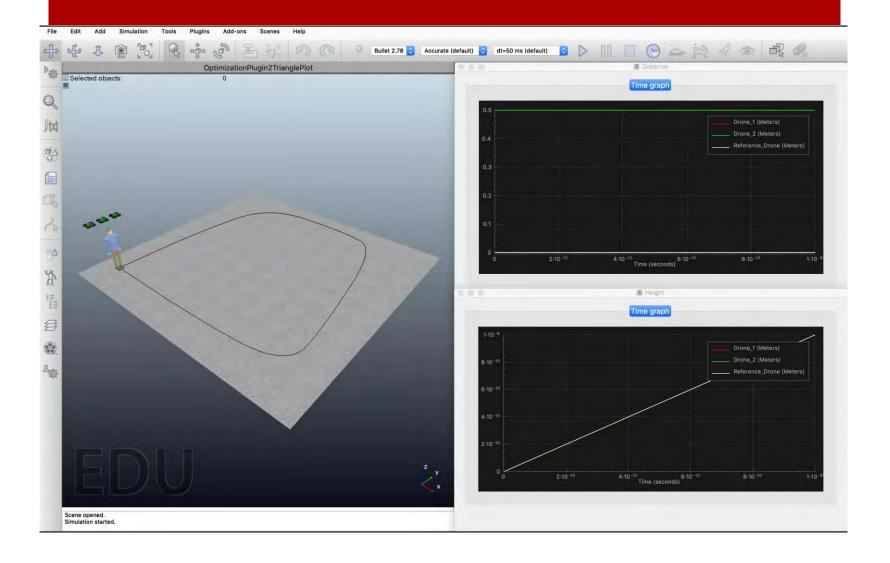
- Illustration of how the proposed system could be used in a disasterrecovery scenario
- Approach partitions UAVs into smaller groups, assigns tasks, and plans motions
- Objective is to quickly inspect the entire area
- System actively communicates with the human supervisor providing critical feedback and responding to new instructions



# Application - Disaster Rescue



# Application - Defense



# Real Time Coverage

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#### THE ARMY, SMALL COMPANIES, & BIG INNOVATION

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#### The Army & Transformative Technologies

#### Benefit: Transformative Technologies Give Our Warfighters the Edge

- Big innovation leads to big advantage
- Lack of innovation erodes advantage
- To lead in anything is to lead in innovation

#### How

- Commercial industry innovations can become transformative tools on the battlefield (smartphones, WiFi, drones)
- Tap into rapid industry innovation cycles (versus long DoD development cycles)

#### Difficulty: Transformation is Hard to Nurture & Integrate

- Not compatible with long Army purchasing cycles
- The Army prioritizes rapid battlefield deployment. As a result, there is limited funding for R&D below TRL 6, which is where disruptive innovations come from

#### **Onboarding Transformative Technologies**

#### The Army Challenge for Small Companies

- Transformative innovation is most likely to come from small companies
  - How to find them?
  - How to validate them?
  - How to develop and integrate them?

#### The Small Company Challenge for the Army

How does a small company engage with the Army?

#### What is the Right Path for Mutual Success?

- Create an innovation framework
- The Red Queen Problem Innovation in the DoD and Intelligence Community
  - Steve Blank, innovation expert
  - Continuous innovation pipeline, not separate activities
  - Different horizons with different levels of risk
  - Application of scientific method to innovation



### Some Ways the DoD Has Encouraged Small Innovative Firms

- Increasing use of Other Transaction Authority (**OTA**). Less onerous contracts for non-traditional contractors.
- Increasing use of OTA-based **Industry Consortia**. Incentive for small, non-traditional contractors to bring disruptive innovations to DoD. Examples:
  - System of Systems Security Consortium (SOSSEC)
  - Consortium for Command, Control, Communications... (C5T)
  - National Spectrum Consortium (NSC)
- SBIR programs, including new formats aimed at rapid innovation
- Encouragement of matchmaking between large contractors and small businesses (in a consortia environment) to help bring small company innovations to production
- Increasingly **modular approach** to systems development permits small company innovations at the component, rather than system level (JCAUS)



#### **Astrapi: A Case Study**

#### **Innovation: "Spiral Modulation"**

- Potential for dramatically higher spectral efficiency
- Currently TRL-4
- More data throughput, lower signal power requirements, less bandwidth usage, longer battery life, lower latency

#### **Potential Types of Benefits**

- Higher data throughput
- Better Size, Weight & Power (SWaP)
- Less spectrum required
- Lower latency

#### Support

- National Science Foundation (NSF) SBIR Phase I (#1621082)
- NSF SBIR Phase II (#1738453)
- Air Force Special Topics SBIR Phase I (UAS communications)
- Army xTechSearch Phase I
- \$2.2m in private investment



#### **Types of Use Cases**

#### **Very Broad Potential Applicability**

- Increase capacity of field satellite links and resistance to rain fade
- Increase capacity of High Capacity Line of Site (HCLOS), point to point radios
- Reduced SWaP requirements for hand-held radios
- Reduced SWaP requirements for UAS radios
- Increase resistance to noise for radios in urban warfare environments

#### **Specific Application: UAS**

- UAS communications a key issue for the DoD
- Army Roadmap for UAS 2010-2035
  - Five levels of interoperability
  - All critically dependent on communication
- UAS only as good as their data link
- Spectral efficiency affects UAS control, security, data throughput
- Astrapi technology potentially applicable across Wasp, SRR, MRR, LRR systems



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# U.S. ARMY RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND ENGINEERING COMMAND

DIGITAL RADAR TECHNOLOGY FOR AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE

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# AMD RADAR MODERNIZATION CHALLENGES



#### Legacy radar platforms are stove piped:

- Custom hardware, custom software, single mission
- Upgrades don't propagate across multiple platforms
- Platforms can't network capabilities
- Not scalable or sustainable for Army modernization priorities

#### Can't adapt to dynamic environments:

- Not jamming resistant, not frequency agile
- Can't respond to new threats without upgrades

#### Calibration:

High precision in-situ calibration is essential for future success of digital radar





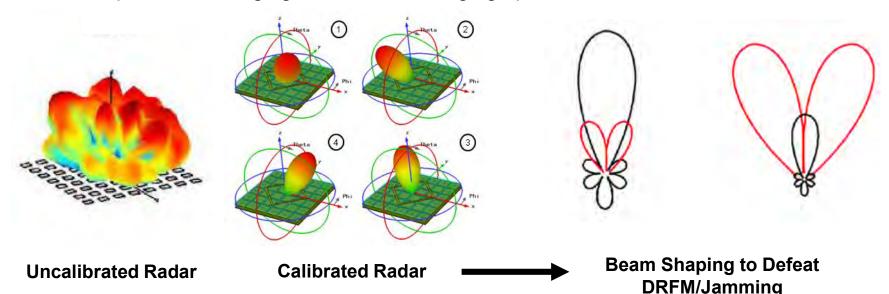
# DIGITAL COMMON ARCHITECTURE SOLUTION

#### Digital Radar can be an Open Architecture Modular Solution

- Small, scalable, lightweight form factor freedom of movement, mobile radar
- Repairs and upgrades propagate across platforms sustainment of operations
- Networking between radar platforms situational understanding, wide area security
  - Common architectures mean tri-service sharing of assets and information

#### Individual Control of ESA at the Element Level - In-situ Calibration

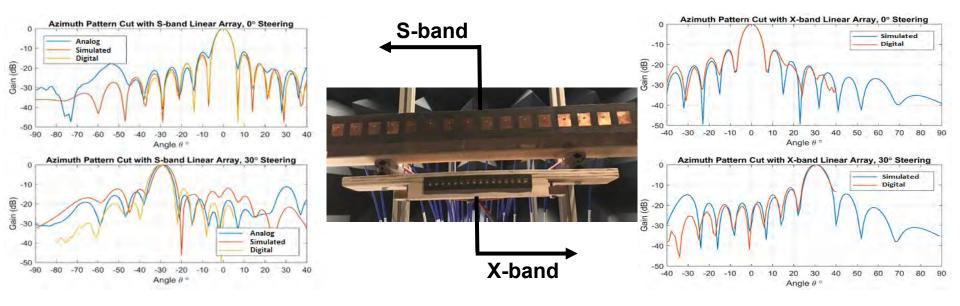
- Continuous calibration ensures continuous optimal performance
- Adaptable to emerging threats and changing operational environment







#### **BEAMFORMING AND BEAM STEERING**



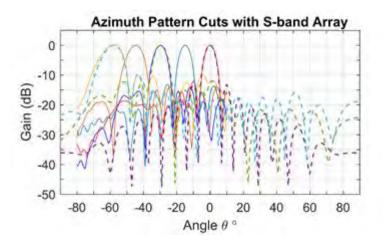
# Compared analog vs. digital beamforming and beam steering for two frequency bands:

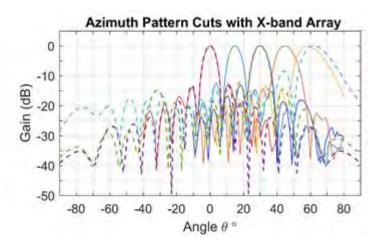
- Used 16 element linear arrays at S- and X-band
- Simulated results represent a perfectly calibrated array
- Beam steering was tested from 0° to 60° off boresight
- Digital module matches simulated results





#### **DIGITAL BEAMFORMING & BEAM STEERING**





#### Multiple simultaneous beams at S- and X-band:

- Digitally steered 4 simultaneous receive beams
- Beams steered up 0° to 60° off boresight
- Excellent agreement between measured and simulated patterns
- Coherently formed and steered beams of two separate radars

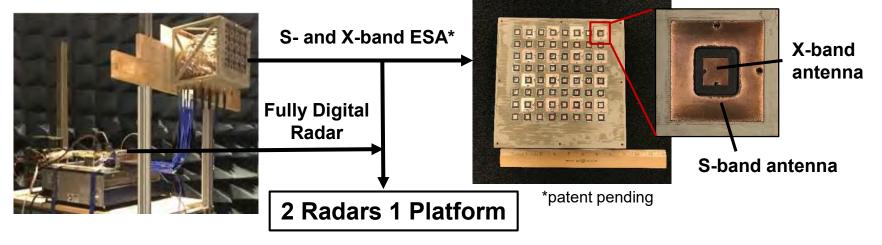
# Digital Module Demonstrates Re-configurability to support Multiple Radar Systems







#### **ARL DUAL-BAND PROTOTYPE**



#### ARL Demonstrates shared Radar Frequencies with a Single Antenna:

- Dual-band antenna (S- & X-band), in the same aperture
- Dual-polarization (V- & H-) flexibility for ground-based radar
- Similar scaled array performance as currently fielded CTA and AMD radars
  - Return loss: -10 dB or better, gain 37 40 dB, 3.0° beam width
- Simultaneous operation of digital dual band systems at S- and X-band frequencies
- Antenna allows full beam control at both frequencies at the same time

# ARL has Demonstrated Dual-Band Functionality for Multi-mission Radar

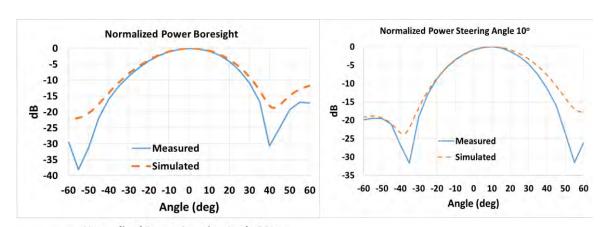


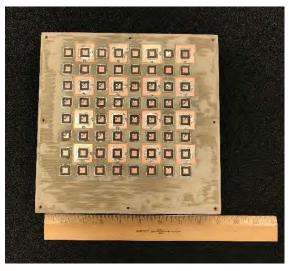


#### S- AND X-BAND IN ONE ANTENNA

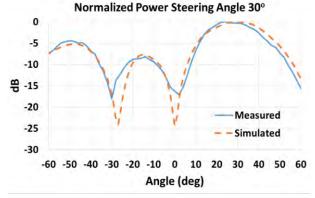
#### Demonstrated capability at 3.56 GHz and 10.3 GHz:

- Digital transceiver module excites dual-band antenna
- Both V- and H-pol data
- Multiple steering angles (0° to +/- 30°)
- Observed pattern cuts match simulations





S- and X-band ESA\*
\*patent pending



Dual Band and Dual Polarization Functionality in a Common Digital Architecture





#### **SUMMARY**

#### **Digital Radar Capabilities:**

- Modular solution with a common architecture across platforms
- Formation and scanning of multiple beams, null steering, in-situ adaptability
- Propagates repairs and technology upgrades across all platforms
- Networking between radar platforms
- Small, scalable, lightweight form factor

#### **ARL Novel Dual-band ESA:**

- Combines the S- and X-band antennas into a single platform
- Simultaneous S- and X-band operation
- H- and V- polarization diversity in a thin planar structure
- Needs novel material manufacturing methods to scale design

#### Calibration:

- Leverage re-configurability and computational capabilities inherent to digital arrays
- · High precision calibration is essential for digital array technology viable
- Need calibration techniques that are wideband and computationally efficient
- Over the air calibration not feasible in the field

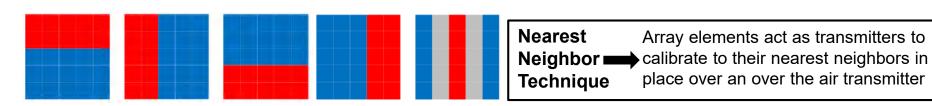




#### **FUTURE WORK**

#### **Digital Calibration Algorithms:**

- ESA radar functions require high element level phase accuracy
- ARL is investigating in-situ calibration algorithms using digital radar
- These algorithms will be system agnostic and adaptable

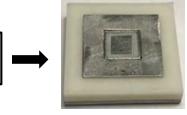


#### **Additive Manufacturing for Antennas:**

- New antennas lead to increasingly complex geometries with tight tolerances
- Traditional manufacturing techniques can't meet these requirements
- ARL is leading research on 3D printing of antennas and RF devices
  - Develop electromagnetic materials compatible with 3D printing
  - 3D printing complex antenna designs

Integrated multimission capabilities lead to complex antenna designs

Complex hybrid material 3D printed antenna prototypes









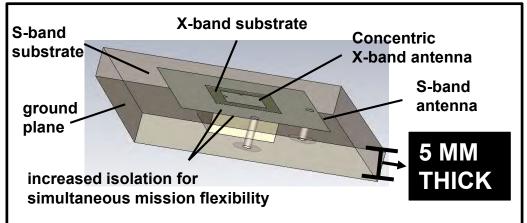
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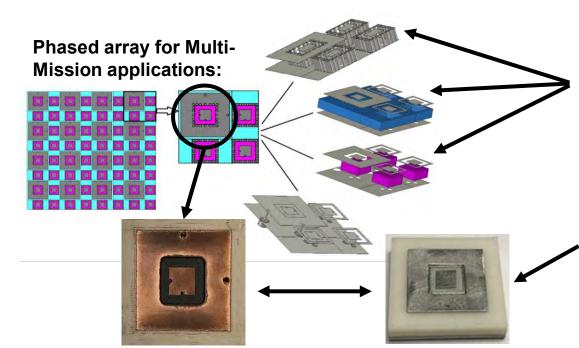






#### **3D PRINTED ANTENNA DESIGN**





#### Non-traditional antennas:

- Simultaneous Multi-Mission capabilities
- Frequency and polarization agility
- Thin, lightweight, planar

# Integrated, multi-mission capabilities lead to complex designs:

- Multiple substrates & conductive layers
- Complex geometry: concentric radiators, multiple feeds
- High cost, low volume, long lead times with traditional manufacturing

# Additive Manufacturing for RF:

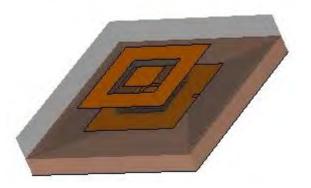
 ARL developing non-traditional, materials-driven approaches to manufacturing

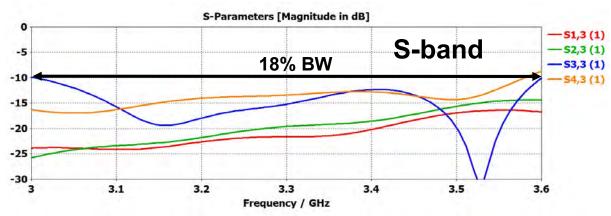




#### **DUAL LAYER ANTENNA GEOMETRY**

#### **Transparent 3D View**

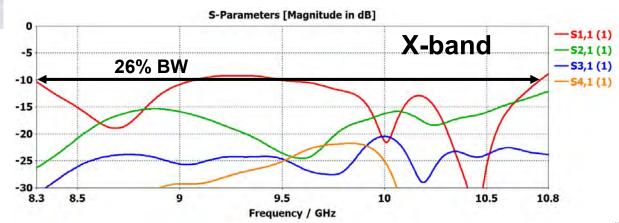




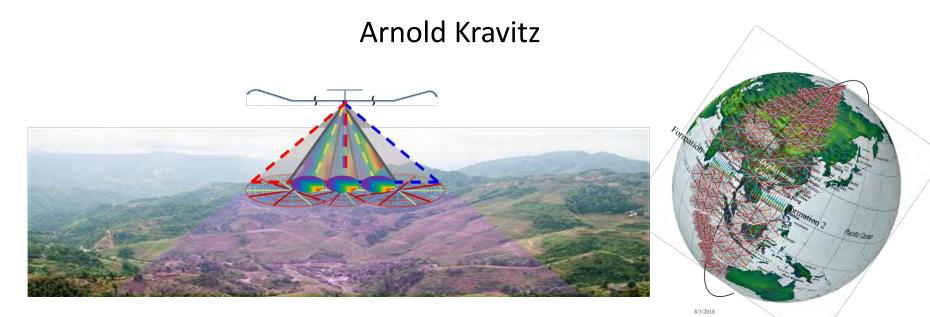
#### **Solid Side View**

**▶** Top Duroid layer

#### **Bottom Rogers 3006 layer**



"Hyper-spectral, UHD imaging NANO-SAT formations or HAPS to detect, identify, geolocate and track; CBRN gases, fuel vapors and other substances



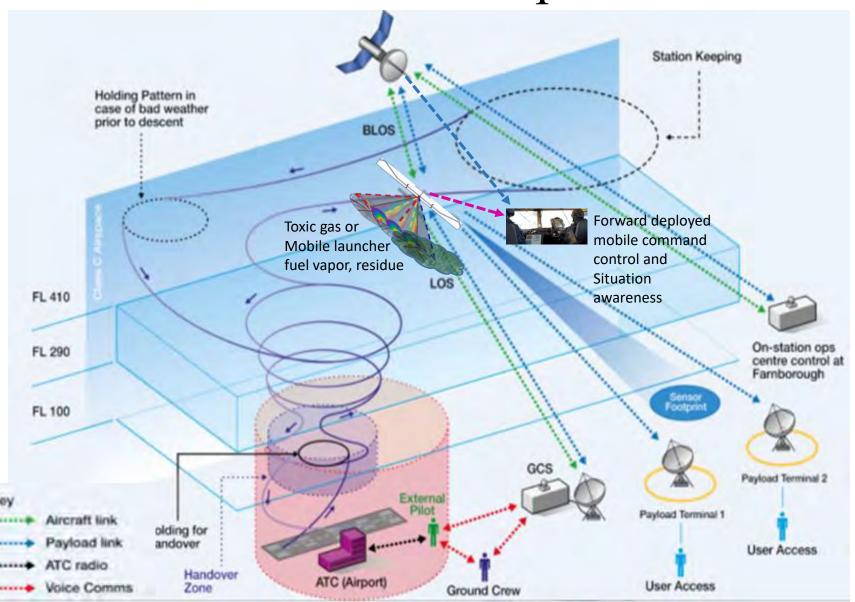
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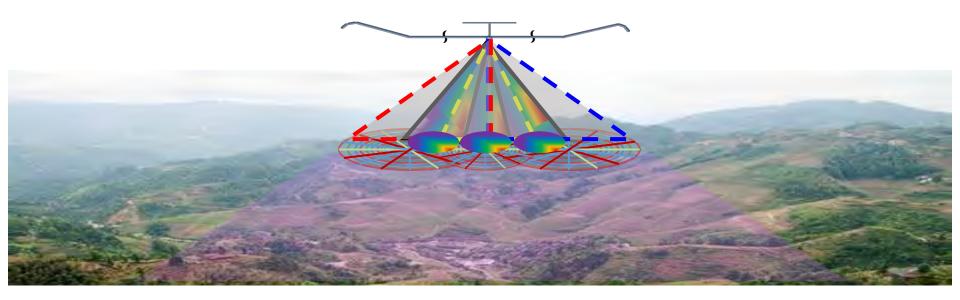
# HSI and FMV Nano-sensor for UHD stereo persistent surveillance

- 1. Detect, identify, track, and geo locate; gases vapers, and materials via hyperspectral imaging.
- High resolution real time UHD stereo persistent surveillance co bore sighted with the Hyper spectral imager
- 3. Dual use as a Nanosat formation or HAPS payload

# **HAPS Mission Concept**



# HAPS Imaging Concept



#### Hyper spectral ground track



- 1) Hyperspectral camera ground tracks, over lap each other to form stereo imagery each other,
- 2) Specifics
  - Altitude 21.4 km (70,000' alt)
  - FOV 6 deg.
  - Ground swath 6.7 km
  - Resolution 744 m (via sub pixel approximation)

#### Stereoscopic Context ground track

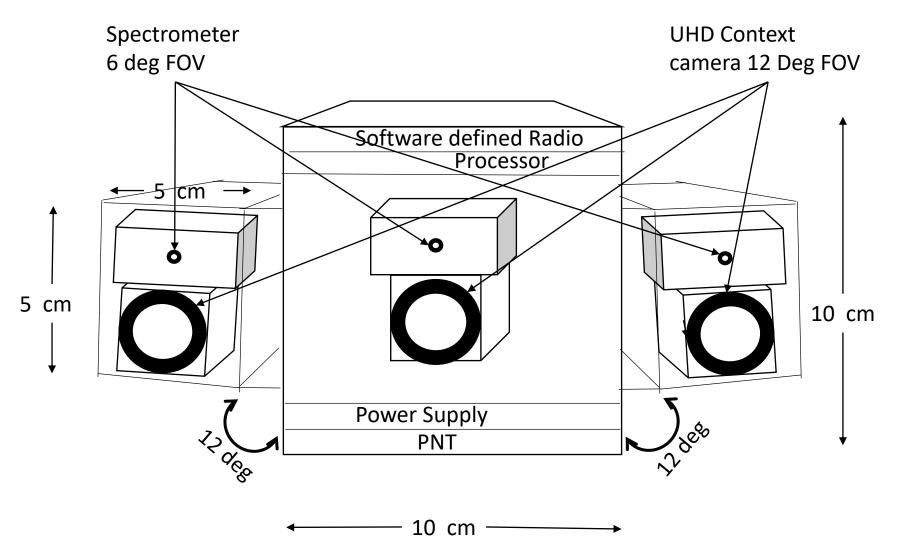


- 1) Context camera ground tracks, over lap each other to form stereo imagery each other,
- 2) Specifics
  - Altitude 21.4 km (70,000' alt)
  - FOV 12 deg.
  - Ground Swath 8.9 km
  - Resolution 29 cm (via sub pixel approximation)
  - Stereo vision via instrument 6 deg canting and 50 % overlap

# HAPS Payload Major System Components



# HAPS Payload Concept



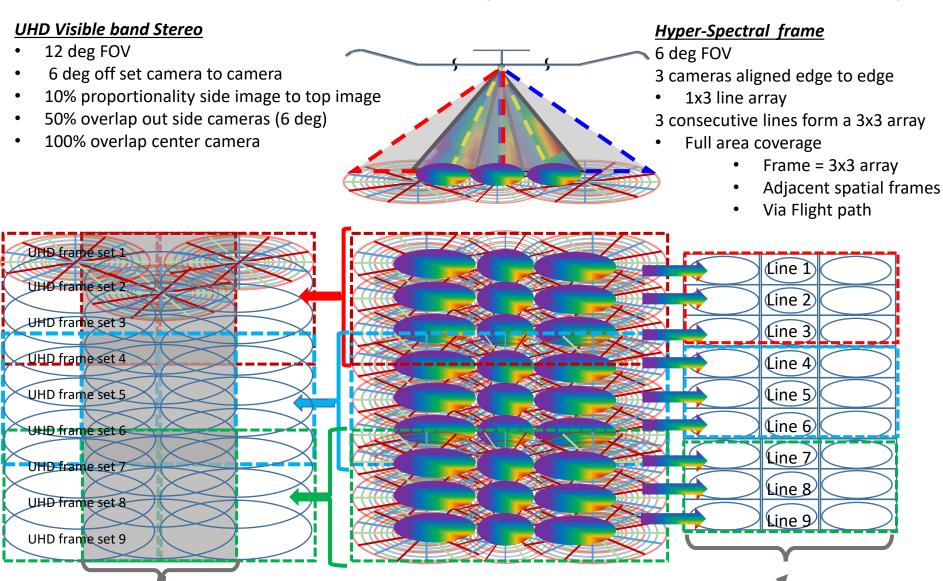
# Operationally responsive HAPS mission overview

- Commodity instrument commercial components
- Extended mission (months)
- Persistent Hyperspectral stereo imagery
- Full color (RGB) still and FMV (30-120 Hz frame rate) stereoscopic
  - overlapping ground swaths
  - Full coverage
  - Live video streaming RGB
  - Live stereo video streaming
- Fused Hyperspectral/ RGB imagery
- Resolution

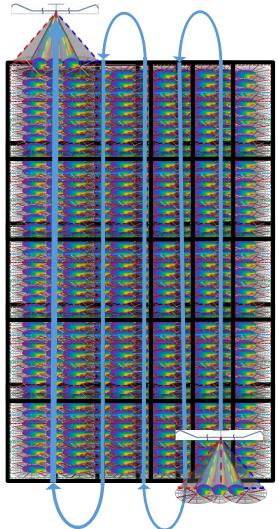
Alt.	70,000'	60,000"	30,000"
RGB	0.29 m	0.25 m	0.049 m
HSI	744 m	638 m	319 m

- Reliability thru redundancy and graceful degradation
- Hyper spectral imagery
  - 6 degree FOV
  - Frame rate up to 30 frames / second over target
  - CMOS Spectrometer readout by cell with varying TDI intervals to maximize dynamic range.
    - Frame to frame analysis
    - If saturated readout speed is accelerated
    - If level is too low integration time is
- X, and ka band (2-4 Ghz or 8-12 Ghz, or 28.8 Ghz down link
- Long range vision; is commercial weather/ commodity monitoring
- Goal of a dual use payload suitable as a 1 u battery powered nanosat, HAPS Payload, or a UAV payload with component subtraction.

# Video frame assembly and stereo overlap

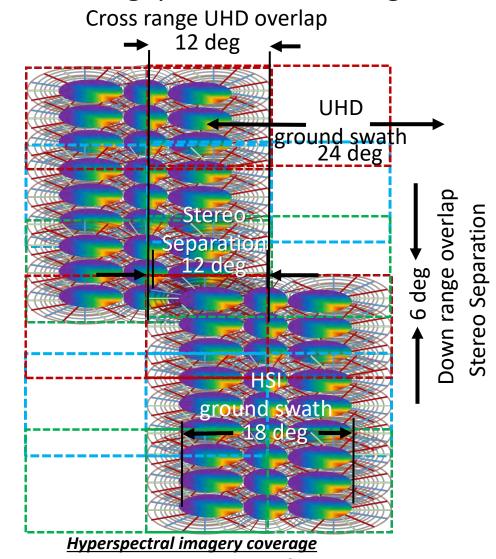


# Flight path, camera pointing and 2 to 1 HSI/UHD FOV ratio enables UHD stereo and line-scan gap free HSI coverage



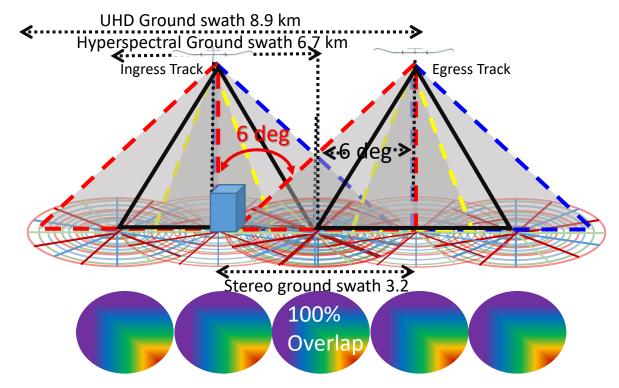
#### Stereo UHD Coverage

- 10.1% overlap frame to frame
- 1 outside camera image overlap via flight path



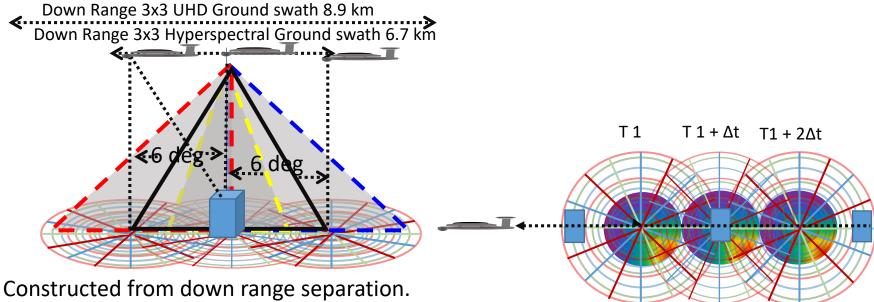
Continuous coverage via flight path

## **Cross range** UHD 3d imagery



- Constructed from track separation angle.
- Object height perspective set by HSI overlap angle
- Object appears in different locations in multiple cameras on overlapping tracks
  - a) Ingress Track 1, Center camera, location is at 0 deg
  - b) Ingress Track 1, right camera, location is 6 deg left of center
  - c) Egress Track 2, right camera 1 location is 6 deg right of center
- Vertical Image perspective scaling = tan(6 deg) = 10.5% true height
- Resolution =  $2 \times 21.3 \text{km sin} (6 \text{ deg})/4072 \text{ pixels } *1000/3 = 0.29 \text{ m} (11 \text{ inches})$

## **Down range** UHD 3d imagery



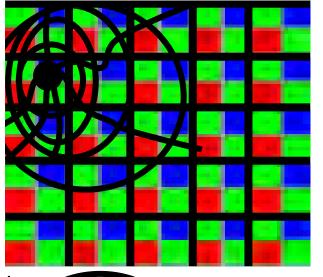
- Image Object height perspective scaling is via location geometry
- Object appears in different locations in different frames
  - Frame 1 location is 6 deg above the top of frame
  - Frame 2 location is center of frame
  - Frame 3 location is 6 deg below center
  - d) Vertical perspective scale = tan(6 deg) = 10.5% height
- Resolution =  $2 \times 21.3 \text{km sin} (6 \text{ deg})/4072 \text{ pixels } *1000/3$
- = 0.29 m (11 inches)

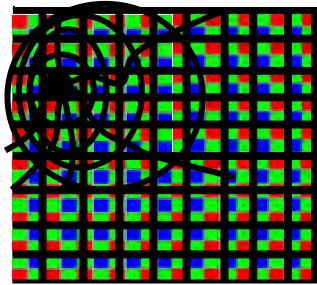
Important: The Hyperspectral frame rate for continuous coverage allows UHD Stereo Video creation same object will appear 3 times with 6 deg of separation including a top down view

# **HAPS Imaging Parameters**

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# Sub pixel approximation used to minimize jitter ease optical requirements and improve resolution





- The signal as read by adjacent pixels
- The data is curve fit
  - Sets of 3 pixels in vertical, horizontal and diagonal.
- 3. The result is then mapped from the 3x3 to a 9x9 and
- 1. Values for the higher density pixels are calculated.

Pixel intensity values (note each pixel is a spectrometer with 200+ colors Approximation is done on the ground for each frequency.)

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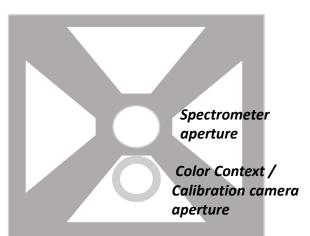
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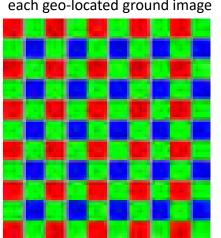
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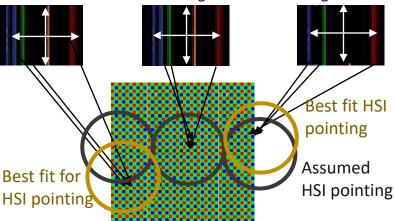
Pointing angle determination leverages the Bayer filter data to template match the HAPS instrument spectrometers to the scene to best determine the look angle and compensate for boresight misalignments, temperature variation shifting shock induced movement



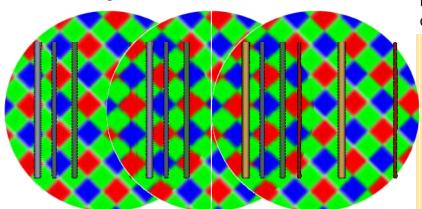
Color context camera Bayer pattern is used to provide a red green blue signature for the scene data for each geo-located ground image



The spectrometers readings are then normalized to red green and blue and the 3 sets are template matched to the nearest best fit to determine a geolocated look angle



The ground segment processing then looks at the off set and provides corrected imagery by shifting or rotating the imagery back into the desired alignment.



Note; all optical elements are calibrated on the ground. Pointing may be corrected via image processing on the ground or on orbit

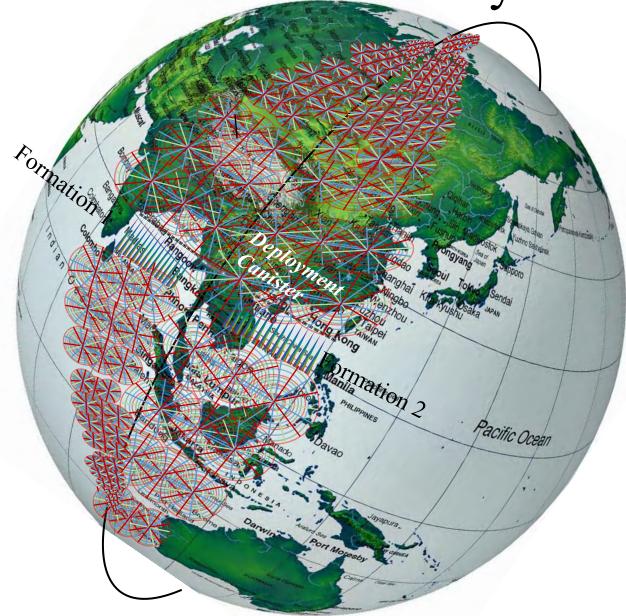
Each instrument has a PNT measurement unit the rotation rates, (clocking angle, coning angle, and centration are used to correct and align the imagery.

#### Data type

- Clocking angle
- Coning angle
- Centration
- Planar Translation

#### Image correction

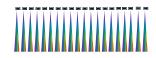
a flat rotation of the imager trapezoidal stretching of the imagery Horizonal or vertical shifting of the imagery flat scaling of the imagery Formation Nanosat Payload Concept



Context camera ground track



Hyper spectral ground track



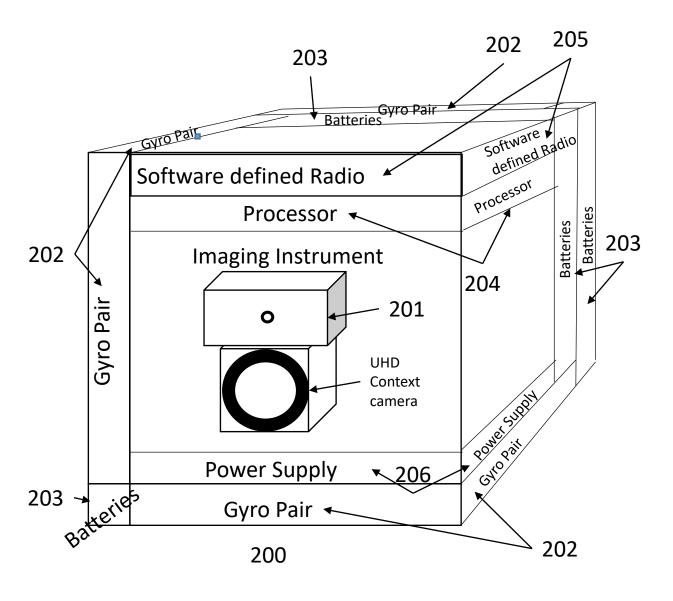
#### Note;

- 1) The context camera ground tracks, abut each other, orbit to orbit at max altitude and over lap as orbit decays.
- 2) Specifics
- Orbit- 274 km polar
- 16 orbits / day
- Period -1.5 hrs,
- UHD Context camera
  - FOV 12 deg.
  - Resolution 4.7 m
- Stereo vision via cube to cube spacing
  - 85.8Km ground swath
    - 20 Nanosat formation
  - 6 deg stereo separation
    - 1st to 8th and 10 nanosat
    - 28.6 km separation
  - Vertical scaling =10.5%

### Spectrometer Swarm - Ground Swath okch on Yodok 20 Multi-band Context and calibration camera 12 deg fov Ground swaths 24 deg fov Full color (RGB) FMV Live stream Stereo and Mono 20 0.5 deg spectrometers Hyperspectral video 10 deg FOV

### Major System Components





A **CubeSat** (U-class spacecraft) is a type of miniaturized satellite for space research made up of multiples of 10×10×11.35 cm cubic units, has a mass of no more than 1.33 kilograms per unit, and often see the use of commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) components for its electronics and structure

Cube Sat

# NANOSAT momentum balanced deployment

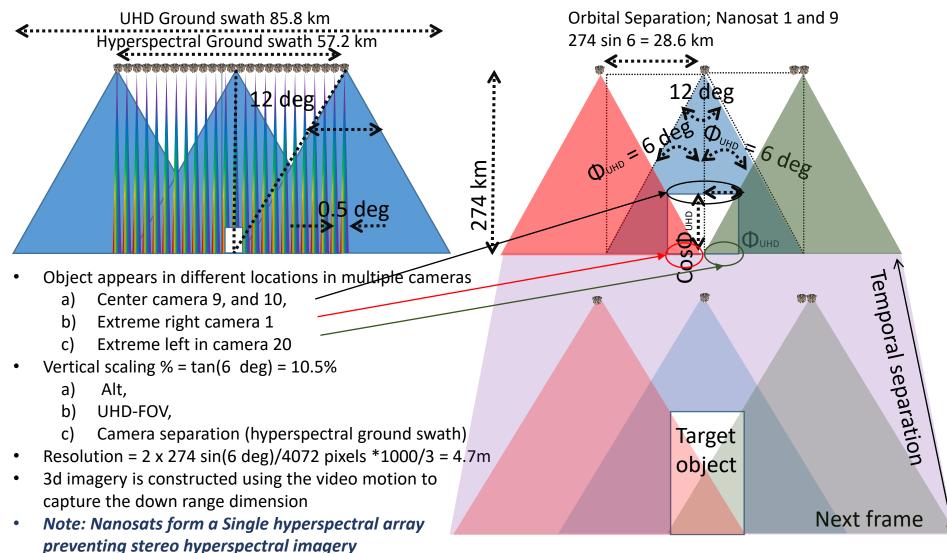


# Operationally responsive Formation Nanosat

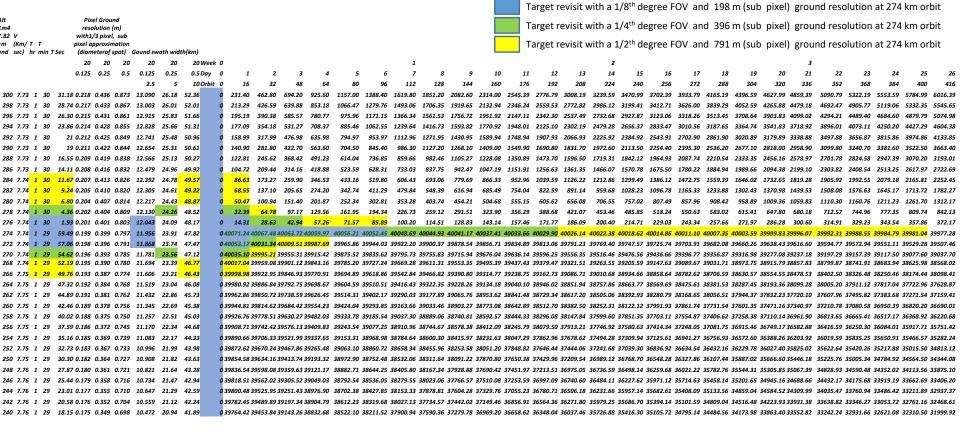
- Commodity Nano Sat (multi utility mission)
- 4 week mission
- Near earth orbit 274 Km to 80Km?
- Commercial components
- Low cost commercial launch
- Hyperspectral imagery 2/ per day
- Full color (RGB) still and FMV (30 Hz) imagery
  - 22 deg swath, 4.7m resolution
  - full gap free slightly overlapping ground swaths
  - Full coverage every 16 orbits
  - Live video streaming RGB 3d imagery
- Fused Hyperspectral/ RGB imagery

- Reliability thru redundancy and graceful degradation
- Hyper spectral imagery
  - 1/8 to ½ degree FOV for 200m to 800m resolution from 274KM
  - 10 frames over target per orbit at 30 hz
- Mono and Stereo Mono full color full motion video
  - 12 deg FOV (gap free swath to swath overlapping orbital coverage.
  - Full earth coverage every 24hrs
- X, and ka band (2-4 Ghz or 8-12 Ghz, or 28.8 Ghz down link
- Long range vision; is commercial weather/ commodity monitoring

UHD Stereo and 3d imagery is constructed from cross range separation and down range temporal displacement. 3d Scaling is determined from orbital geometry



### **Orbital Parameters**



274 Km orbit

1:29:57 sec period (16 orbit/24hr day)

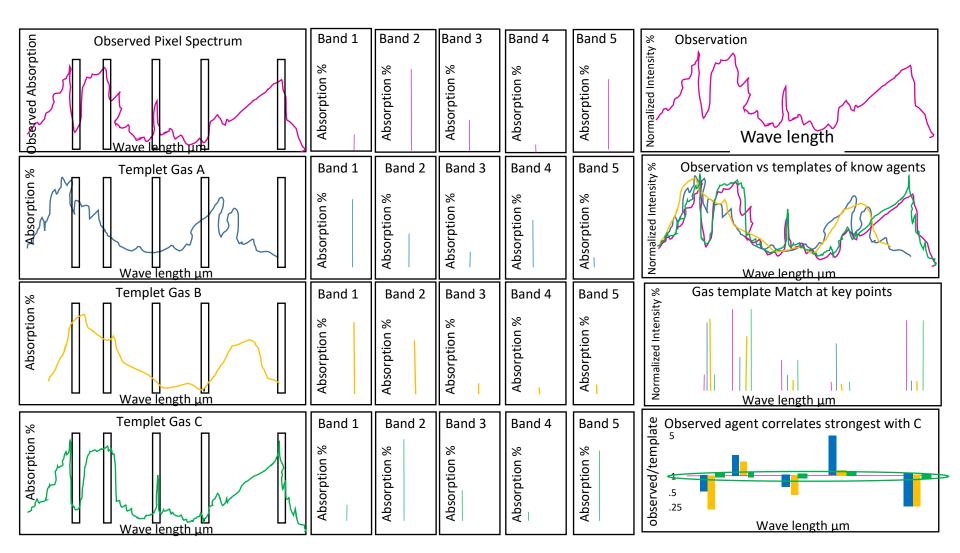
frames on target 30/sec x 0.32 sec= 10

Hyper spectral pixel ground spot 2.37 KM @ ½ FOV deg Spectrometer resolution 791m (1/3 pixel resolution via processing) Hyperspectral Time over target 2.37km/7.47Km/sec =.32 sec Frame rate =30 hz

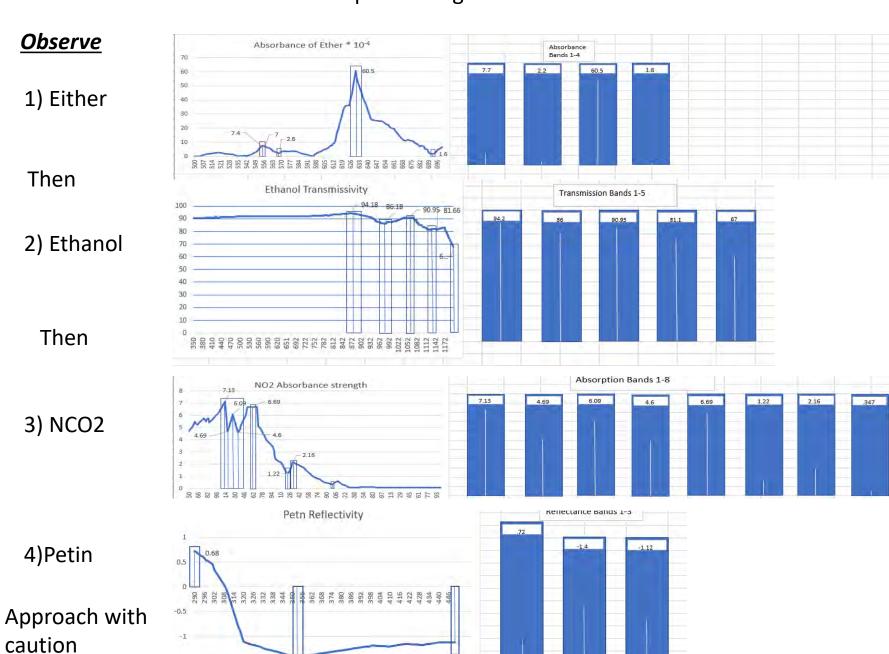
UHD

Two 20 pixel formations per canister UHD ground swath at 12 Deg per camera (4.7m resolution) Formation ground swath width 10 X 2.37+ 12 x  $\Pi/180$  x 274= 47.6 km Canister scan width (2 formations) = 85.2 km + separation

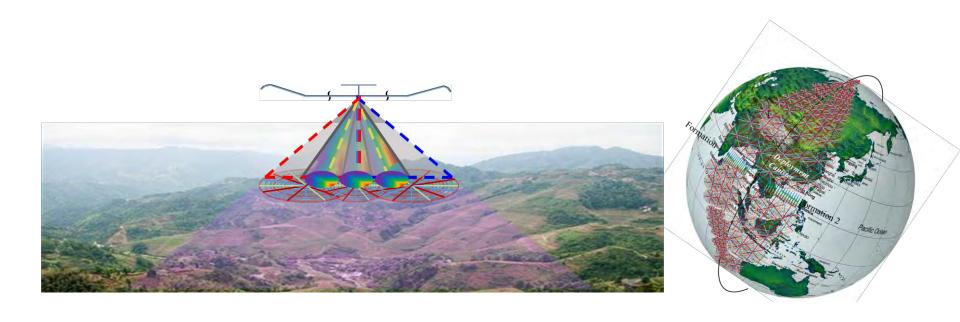
# Template matching across multiple bands is used to identify observed gases



#### **Sequential Algorithms**

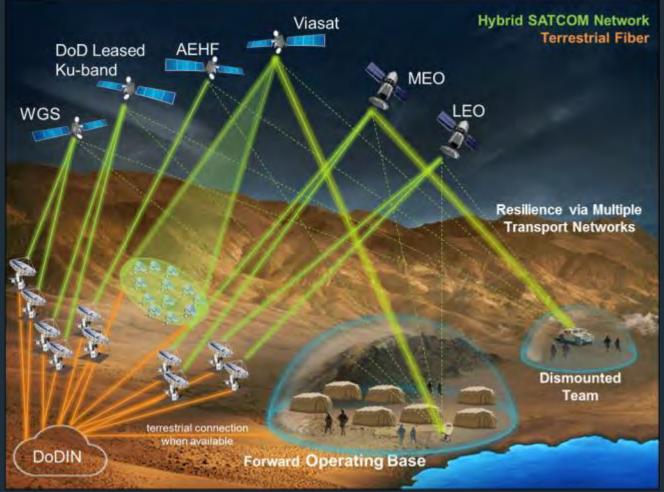


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#### Resilient Communications with Hybrid Adaptive Networking



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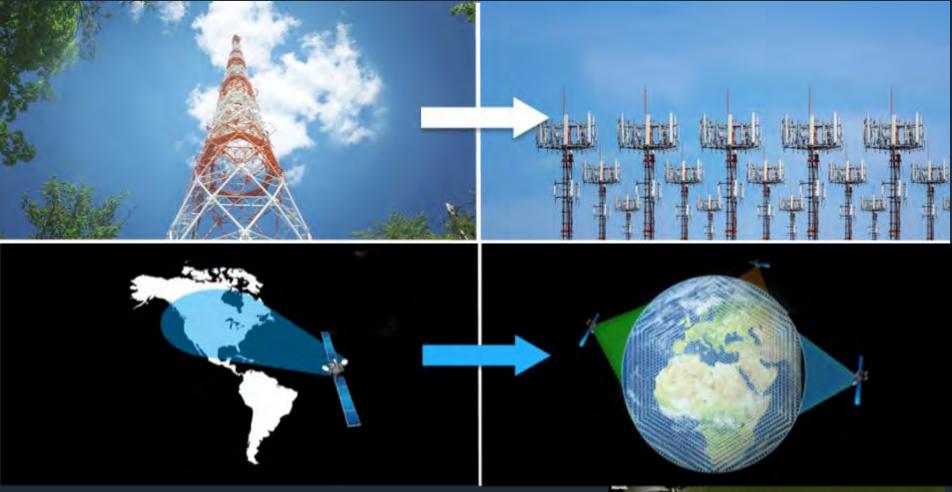






### Transition from Broadcast to Interactive Broadband

Revolutionized Wireless Communications ... a 2<sup>nd</sup> Time





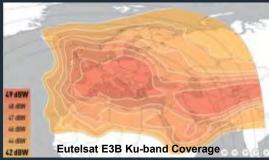
#### Broadcast to Interactive Broadband

#### Systems the Army employs

Ka-band Spot Beams -3 & -30dB contours



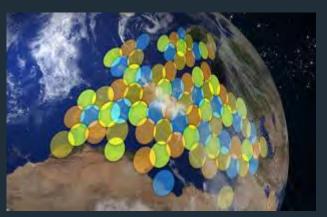
Ku-band with -6dB over the entire Continent



Only One Transmitter using the same frequency at the same time (Thus, they are susceptible to Interference)

#### Commercial Data/Broadband Satcom

**Eutelsat KaSat Beam Counters** 



**Notional ViaSat-3 Beam Counters** 



1000s of Transmitters using the same frequency at the same time (Thus, they are hardened for Interference)



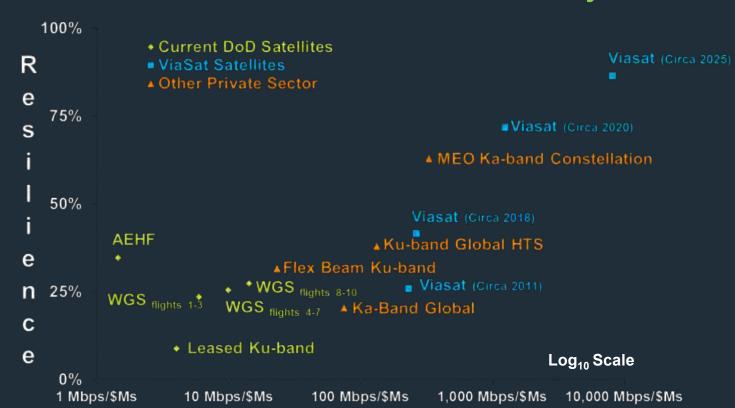


#### Viasat's AoA – Resilience and Affordability Assessment

#### **Current DoD & Private Sector Satcom Systems**

#### **Resilience Score:**

- Beam Roll-off distance to -30dB
- Nulling/Processing Rejection
- · Bandwidth Rejection
- GPS Independence
- Cyber Defense
- Immunity to Monitoring
- Kinetic (Multi-path)
- LPI/LPD modes
- Scintillation modes
- High Density Deployments
- Emitter Geolocation
- Protection against future threats



Capacity Cost (Mbps generated per \$Ms investment in Space)





#### Layering dramatically increases Resilience & Deterrence

#### Resilience improvements in the European Theater

Hybrid Network (Circa 2018)	Network Resilience Score	
European Ka-band HCS	26%	
Ka-band Global HCS	20%	
WGS (8-9)	27%	
Overall Hybrid Network Resilience	56.97%	

Hybrid Network (Circa 2022)	Network Resilience Score		
AEHF	35%		
Ka-band Global HCS	20%		
WGS (8-9)	27%		
ViaSat-3 Constellation	86%		
MEO Ka-band Constellation	63%		
Overall Hybrid Network Resilience	94.71%		

Achieves immediate Resilience & Deterrence improvements with Legacy & without costly investments in New Systems





### Viasat's AoA Recommendation - Deter Aggression and Warfighting in Space/Cyber\* by Leveraging DoD & Commercial Layers

### Enhance Deterrence with each new layer:

- Imposes significant new cost on Targeting & Developing effective attack vectors in all Satcom Network Domains
- ➤ Reduces likelihood of successful attack (including A/J, PNT denied environments, Cyber attacks, Kinetic-Space/Ground, Teleport Exploitation, Scintillation, etc.)
- Informs the market (and Adversary) of their use

Eliminate Adversary Effects & Serve Growing Wideband Demand









### 3 Major shifts in Satcom Market create Opportunity to: <a href="Improve Performance">Improve Performance</a>, Resilience</a>, Deterrence</a>, & Affordability

- 1. Adversaries are preparing to deny Satcom (purpose-built and commercial)
- 2. Commercial Satcom Service Providers now employ Data or Broadband Satellite Networks (Internet Broadband Constellations for Commercial Air, Maritime, Business Enterprise & Gov't/Military customers)
  - Order-of-Magnitude better Performance (throughput)
  - With Protected Satcom Capabilities Limited Jamming effects to under 25nm & Scintillation effects to the localized area.
  - Order-of-Magnitude better Affordability
- Multiple Global Satcom Data Services are Operational Today & more are in Deployment
  - Today: Inmarsat GX, Intelsat EPIC, SES Networks, EchoStar, Viasat
  - New Entrants: OneWeb, LeoSat, TeleSat, SpaceX, etc.

Army can now layer Satcom Services for: Higher Performance, Enhanced Protected Satcom, & Increased Deterrence





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# Energy Efficient "Shelter in Shelter" Concept for Large Expeditionary Structures

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### Energy Efficient "Shelter in Shelter" Overview



- □ Joint Army/Air Force program
  - □ Energy saving, security, resiliency for expeditionary shelters
  - □ Particular emphasis on high energy/soft-wall shelters
  - □ Integration of technology options achieved goal of >50% increase in energy efficiency (Not linearly scalable to medium and large shelters)
- Most energy efficient option for large shelters is a "Shelter in Shelter" (SIS) concept
  - □ Confine environmental conditioning to a small area rather than conditioning the whole shelter



### Energy Efficient "Shelter in Shelter" Concept



- Expeditionary shelters are primary power consumers and inherently inefficient for environmental heating and cooling
- Benefits of SIS:
  - Reconfigurable work areas within large structures
  - Localized environmental cooling or heating
- Will realize most cost benefits for large deployed military shelters;
  - Medium Shelters System (MSS), and Large Area Maintenance Shelters (LAMS)





Integrity - Service - Excellence



# **Energy Efficient "Shelter in Shelter" Methodology**



#### **Prototype SIS:**

- □ Small gable-style shelter (14'x14'x7') inside a Medium Shelter (MSS)
- □ Baseline: MSS running on a conventional ECU
- □ All testing completed at "Tent City" AFCEC test site at Tyndall AFB, FL







AFCEC Tent City Test Site Tyndall AFB, FL



# Energy Efficient "Shelter in Shelter" Methodology (Continued)

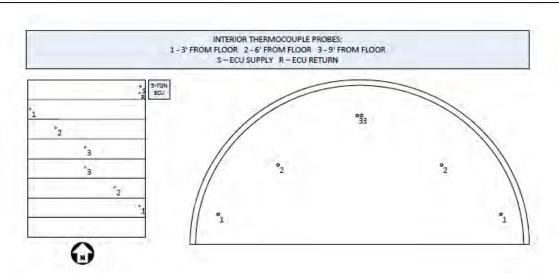


Temperature Sensors
Location in Baseline MSS



#### Metrics:

- Interior temperatures
- Power consumption









SIS prototype has stand-alone portable A/C, insulated liner and LED lights



### **Energy Efficient "Shelter in Shelter"**Results



	Baseline	SIS
24 hour	91.5*	21.8
Early Morning (0000-0800)	12.3	4.8
Daytime (0600-1800)	71.9	13.1
Peak Hours (1100-1900)	52.6	9.6
Evening (1600-2400)	22.0	7.5

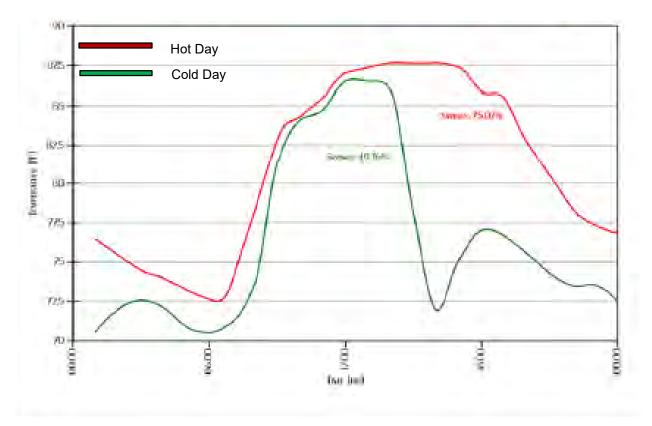
Energy demand (in KWH) Comparison throughout different time periods

\*These results has an error range +/- 5%



## Energy Efficient "Shelter in Shelter" Results (Continued)





Impact of Environmental Conditions on Energy savings for SIS



# **Energy Efficient "Shelter in Shelter" Summary**



- Energy savings of 49-75% were achieved by the SIS system compared to the baseline shelter,
  - Efficiency dependent upon ambient environmental conditions
  - High outdoor temperatures and high humidity require more power consumption from ECU
  - AC in the SIS remains constant; shaded by the exterior shelter
- Cumulative energy savings (1 month test) were ~65% over 24 hour period
  - Average daytime savings of 74% (ambient conditions of 85°F) = ΔT of 15°F
- Energy consumption, per sq. ft., is as follows:
  - 0.018 kwh/ft<sup>2</sup>······For SIS Shelter
  - 0.065 kwh/ft<sup>2</sup>·····For Baseline Shelter



# Energy Efficient "Shelter in Shelter" CONCLUSION



- The SIS concept provides a workspace that is modular and configurable
- Designated heated/cooled environmental area
- Potential energy efficiency >50% is achievable
- Energy efficient solution for large expeditionary shelters
- Can incorporate additional functionality, i.e. blast resistance, fire resistance, controlled environments (clean room, mortuary, paint booth etc.)



# **Energy Efficient "Shelter in Shelter" Military Applications**





#### **Small structures inside LAMS**

Source:https://www.bing.com/images/search?q=Lam%27s+Large+Area+Maintenance+Shelter&FORM=IDINTS



# **Energy Efficient "Shelter in Shelter" Real World Applications**





#### **Small shelter around Airbus Engine installation**

Source:

https://airbus-h.assetsadobe2.com/is/image/content/dam/corporatetopics/innovation/Shelter\_installation\_03.JPG?wid=1196&fit=fit,1





#### **Energy Efficient "Shelter in Shelter"**

### Questions?





# Designing Scalable, Objective Assessments of Interpersonal Leadership Skills

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#### Interpersonal Leadership Skills



- Army Leaders do more than tactical decision making
- Successful Leaders
  - Motivate
  - Inspire / Influence Others
  - Build Trust
  - Develop their Soldiers
  - Create a Positive Environment
  - Communicate Effectively
- How systematically are these skills assessed, trained, and refined currently?



#### **Assessment Options**



#### Self-report

- Easy to administer
- Inexpensive
- Suffer from respondent biases
- Susceptible to "faking" and "ability to identify criteria"

#### Live

- Expert evaluators
- High fidelity
- Resource intensive



#### A Novel Approach to Assessment



- Scenario-Based, Free-Response Assessments
  - Computerized scenarios designed to elicit leadership behaviors
  - Inputs are made in real-time as free-text responses to unfolding conversations
  - Virtual agents react to inputs via natural language processing algorithms that assess how inputs should progress the narrative
- Live assessments made by Officer Candidate School instructors served as criterion data in validation study



### Sample Scenario



#### "Hand Receipt"

- Vignettes
  - Gossiping subordinate
  - Peer pressure to sign inventory form prematurely
  - Platoon Sergeant offers to take responsibility for finding missing items
  - A Staff Sergeant berates a Private and provokes a fight
- Targeted Interpersonal Leadership Skills
  - Creates a Positive Environment
  - Leads Others / Leads by Example
  - Builds Trust







#### **Initial Results**



- Match rate for natural language processing algorithms reached an average of nearly 80% across all vignettes
  - Vignettes with 200 or more responses averaged 81.5%
  - Vignettes with fewer than 100 responses averaged 67.8%
- Differences in behaviors across participants
  - Within the scenarios, candidates rated highest on interpersonal leadership skills by instructors more consistently
    - Corrected unprofessional behavior
    - Offered constructive suggestions to solve problems
    - Avoided placing blame prematurely



## **Next Steps**



- Future development for the scenario-based, freeresponse assessments will focus on
  - Allowing nonlinear conversations to unfold
  - Making agents more flexible by tracking emotional states, etc. across vignettes

 Identify vignettes characteristics most responsible for improved language matching and better predictive validity to improve assessment techniques overall





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# Strategic thinking mindset:

Concept development and assessment of strategic thinking aptitude

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#### Strategic Thinking



- What is it?
  - Cognitive process
  - Synthesis and creative insight
  - Improve organizational competitive position
- Why is it important for the Army?
  - Identify future threats to national security and exploit opportunities to improve security
  - Leaders able to visualize potential futures, anticipate change, mitigate risks, and shape the security environment.
  - Strategic Thinking = Anticipated Events = Time = Options
- Why do we need to assess it?
  - Identification
  - Selection
  - Development
  - Evaluation



### Mindset as a foundation for competencies



Systems and synthesis

Creativity

Directionality

Criticality

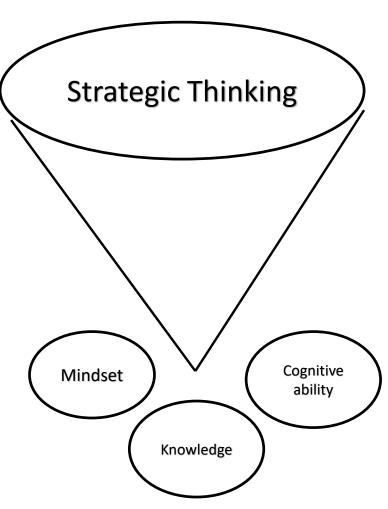
Awareness of time

Adaptability and opportunism

Breadth and inclusion

Self-awareness and self-control

Action learning





## Characterizing a mindset for strategic thinking



#### Flexibility

Willingness to adjust when conditions change or new information is presented

#### Humility

 Comfort with acknowledging a wrong or incomplete understanding; the tendency to question one's understanding

#### Inclusiveness

 Welcoming of information and perspective from a broad range of sources



## Sample SJT Item



CPT Clark was attached as civil-military support to a humanitarian dental effort. CPT Clark was there to facilitate interaction with the local population and spread the word about the services available. However, the local government insisted that information about the services could only be distributed with approval and through the national government. However, the representatives CPT Clark had to work with were antagonistic and slow in responding and generally publicizing the effort.

If you were in CPT Clark's position, and given the following options, what would you personally most likely *and* least likely do?

- A. Arrange a meeting with the local government officials and try to understand more about why they are resistant.
- B. Request that someone above you in the U.S. chain of command reach out to someone higher in the local government to bypass the resistance.
- C. Try to informally publicize your services through word of mouth, but nothing official.
- D. Comply with their bureaucratic processes for publicizing the efforts, accepting the delays in order to maintain a good relationship with the government.

Most Likely		Least Likely	
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# Sample Self-Report Items



Instructions: Please consider your general tendencies when confronted with an unusual problem or unclear situation. Rate each of the following statements on the scale below based on how strongly you agree that the statement reflects your general tendencies. Circle one.

5 = Strongly agree	Strongly agree						
4 = Moderately agree	Moderately agree						
3 = Neither agree nor disagree	Neither agree nor disagree						
2 = Moderately disagree Moderately d		isag	ree				
1 = Strongly disagree	Strongly disagr	ree					
When I am confronted with unusual problems or uncertain situations							
My judgment is usually not changed by others' opinions			2	3	4	5	
I trust in what has been successful in the past			2	3	4	5	



# **Observed Psychometrics**



#### Reliability

#### **SJT**

- Flexibility  $\alpha = .31$
- Humility  $\alpha = .18$
- Inclusiveness  $\alpha = .34$

#### Self-report

- Flexibility  $\alpha = .64$
- Humility  $\alpha = .35$
- Inclusiveness  $\alpha = .49$

#### **Construct Validity**

#### SJT

- Flexibility r = .31
- Humility r = .36
- Inclusiveness r = .21

#### Self-report

- Flexibility r = .27
- Humility r = .15
- Inclusiveness r = .31



## Potential Utility for the Army



- Individual leader self-awareness
- Guide for self-development, personal growth
- Talent management
- Metric of change for broadening assignments or PME
- Part of a commander's leader professional development program with staff

Future work: refinement for improved psychometrics and adaptation to other Army populations





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# Development of a game-based assessment of systems thinking ability: Initial model and construct validation

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# Purpose



The purpose of this research is to develop a gamebased assessment of a complex cognitive construct-Systems Thinking Ability- for the U.S. Army.

Phase 1-Develop / Validate Tests of STA Antecedents

Phase 2- Develop and Validate STA Assessment Game Follow-up- Support implementation and adoption by Army

Completed SEP2016

Target MAR2021

+24 Months

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# Higher-order Cognitive Assessment



#### Cognitive tests, such as ASVAB, are useful but have limitations:

They measure a few core capabilities (e.g., mathematical reasoning, vocabulary)

Composite scores (e.g., Science & Technology) are aggregates of section scores and may not fully reflect test takers' capability in namesake domain

Direct Measure of higher-order cognitive capabilities has advantages

For some MOS, measurement of higher-level capabilities (e.g., Systems Thinking Ability) could better identify the best-suited for the field

Could allow differentiation of those with high general intelligence to ensure such Soldiers are best utilized (enhances Talent Management)

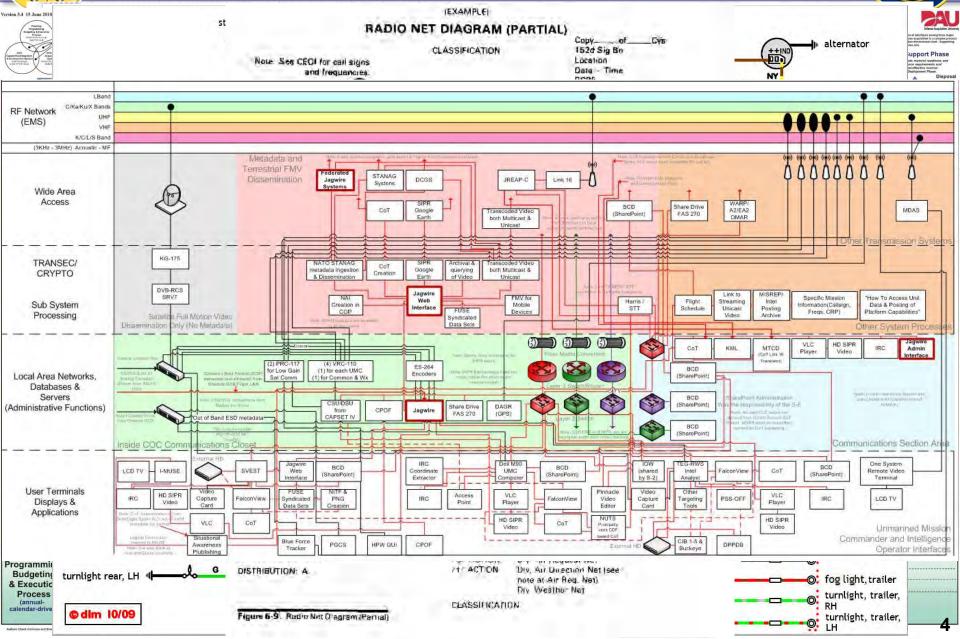
New technology is opening up new avenues to assessment of such capabilities, but much research is needed.

One higher-order capability with promise for utility is Systems Thinking Ability (STA)



## Systems Thinking Applications in the Army

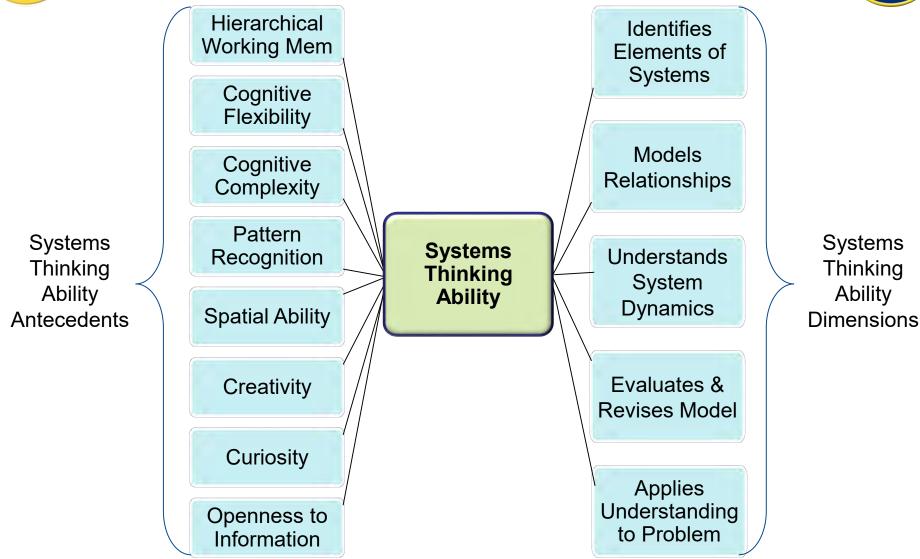






# Defining & Measuring STA







# Game-based Assessment



ARI is exploring game-based assessment for measuring Systems Thinking
Antecedences and Processes

#### Advantages of Game-based Assessment

- Intrinsically motivating / engaging
- Can observe and measure behavior and processes rather than just item response
- Secure (no items to expose)
- Discreet and covert measurement (test taker doesn't know what counts or how)
- Adaptable to individual test takers
- Customizable to different needs (e.g., selection for different MOS)

#### **Research Questions / Challenges**

- What are the boundaries to what can be measured (e.g., response time, action efficiency, evidence of learning the game)?
- Can we design a system that can handle and use large amounts of data?
- How do we integrate large data pool into actionable assessment?
- What are the barriers to implementation (e.g., technology, measurement algorithms)?



## Game Premise





About a month ago, a massive alien warship arrived at Earth, and sat menacingly on the horizon. Little is known about their intentions or capabilities. In the past few days, tensions between the aliens and the humans have been mounting. There have been isolated skirmishes and recent diplomatic and reconnaissance envoys have disappeared completely.

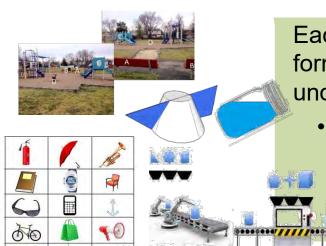
On a mission to investigate the alien ship more closely, your helicopter was captured and your entire unit was abducted by the aliens. The other members of your unit were quickly overtaken by alien mind control attacks, but somehow, you remain unaffected. You must fool your alien captors into believing you're under their control while you explore the ship searching for intel that the humans can use to overcome the invading aliens.





# Measuring ST Antecedents





Each day on the ship, the player must join formation with the rest of the humans to undergo testing.

Five ST "Antecedents" are captured — during these daily activities, framed as alien experimentation or the aliens testing if their mind control is working.

Hierarchical Working Mem

Cognitive Flexibility

Cognitive Complexity

Pattern Recognition

**Spatial Ability** 

Curiosity

Creativity

Openness to Information

User moves around the ship exploring alien objects and machinery, collecting intel, and avoiding detection.

Three ST "Antecedents" are assessed through behavioral indicators collected as the user explores the ship, addressing the objectives and missions





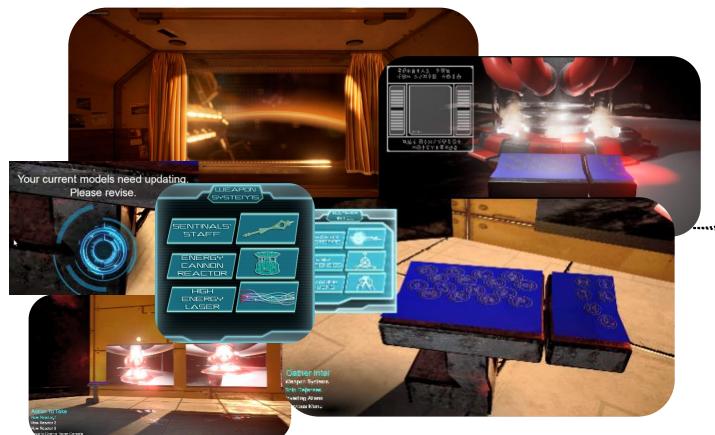
## Systems Thinking Ability Dimensions





When returning to the safe-room, the user can reflect on the systems s/he has seen.

Five Systems Thinking Ability Dimensions are captured from guided journaling, prompted activity, and via interaction with digital characters.



Identifies Elements of Systems

Models Relationships

Understands System Dynamics

Evaluates & Revises Model

Applies
Understanding to
Problem



# Summary



New technology is opening up new avenues to assessment of higher-order cognitive capabilities, but extensive research is needed

 Game-based assessment is one technology with promise to measure complex constructs

ARI is working on a game-based Systems Thinking Assessment

- Phase 1 developed and validated measures of 5 STA-related abilities
- Phase 2 will incorporate measures and will use in-game behaviors to look at traditionally hardto-assess facets







# U.S. ARMY RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND ENGINEERING COMMAND

**Uncertainty-Aware Al&ML for Effective Decision Making** 

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#### **RESEARCH CONTEXT**

# Multi Domain Battle >> Prevailing in a Complex World Large-scale, cluttered, contested urban environment



Research outcomes address CSA Priorities:
(i) Next Gen Combat Vehicles (primary) and (ii) Networks/C3I (secondary)





#### AI & ML RESEARCH CHALLENGES

#### Al & ML Research Gaps

Learning in Complex Data Environments

- → Al & ML with small samples, dirty data, high clutter
- → Al & ML with highly heterogeneous data
- → Adversarial AI & ML in contested, deceptive environment

Resource-constrained Al Processing at the Point-of-Need

- → Distributed AI & ML with limited communications
- → AI & ML computing with extremely low size, weight, and power, time available (SWaPT)

Generalizable & Predictable Al

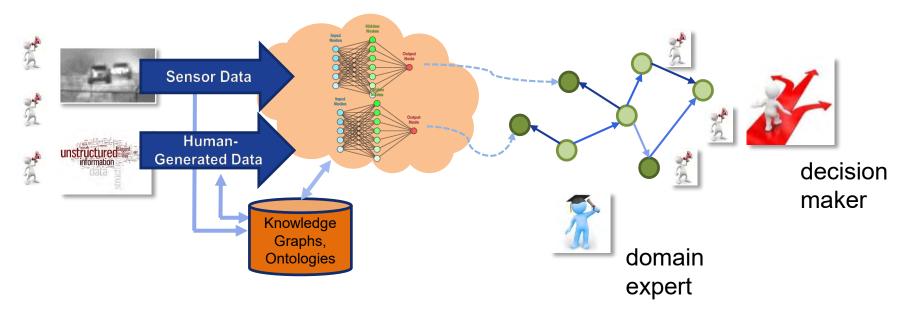
- → Explainability & programmability for AI & ML
- → AI & ML with integrated quantitative models

Goal: To research and develop artificially intelligent agents (heterogeneous & distributed) that rapidly learn, adapt, reason & act in contested, austere & congested environments





#### **AI&ML SYSTEM**

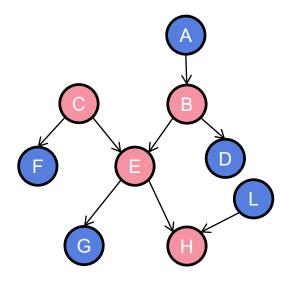


- Limited training data
- Training and observational data can come from unreliable sources
- Reasoning with limited training data
- Characterization of uncertainty
- Explanations of uncertainty for the user





#### SUBJECTIVE BAYESIAN NETWORKS

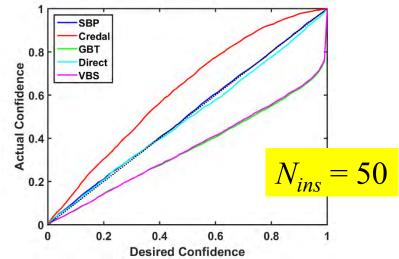


- Uncertain Bayesian networks due to sparse training data
- Efficient inference methods that generalize belief propagations

Uncertainty Characterization (Desired Confidence Bound Divergence)

Accuracy (Root Mean Squared Error)

	SBP	Credal	GBT	Direct	VBS
Act.	0.112	0.121	0.124	0.256	0.123
Pred.	0.110	0.155	0.098	0.247	0.098

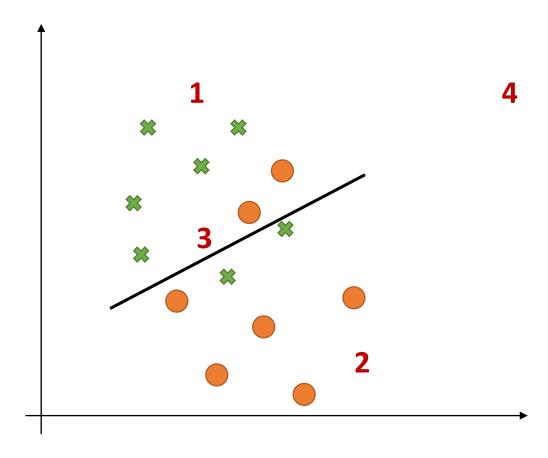


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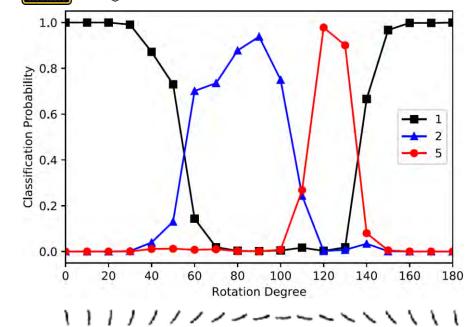


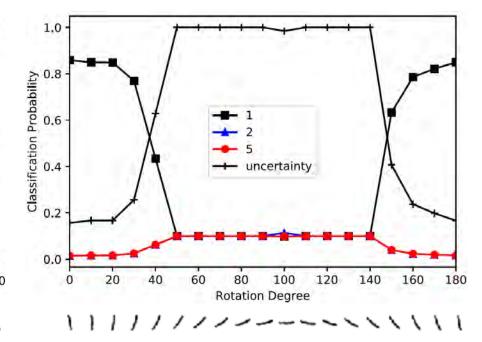
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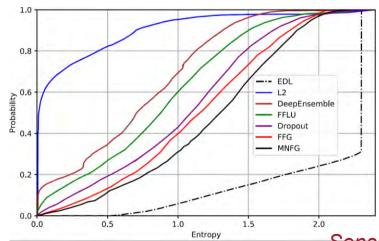




#### **EVIDENTIAL NEURAL NETWORKS**





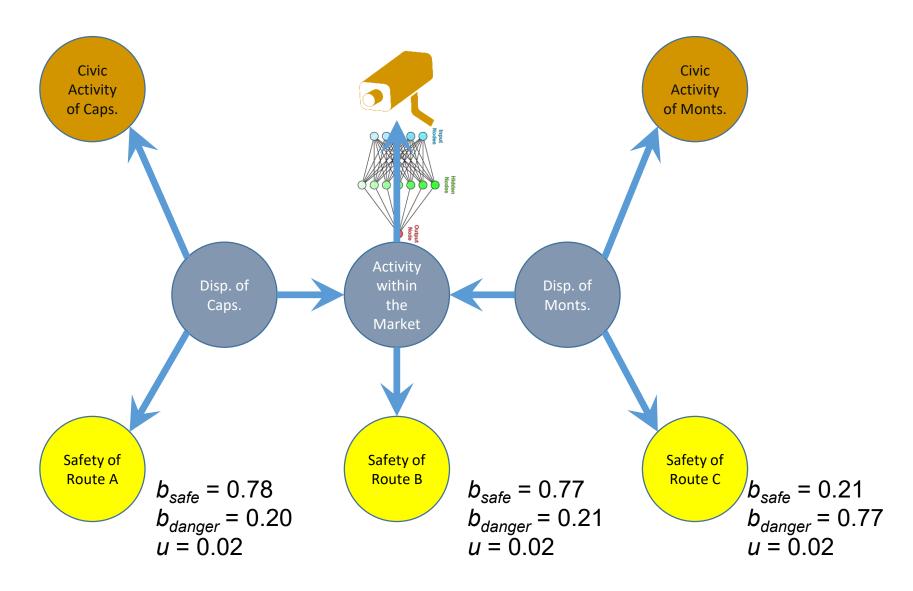


Trained on digits but tested on letters

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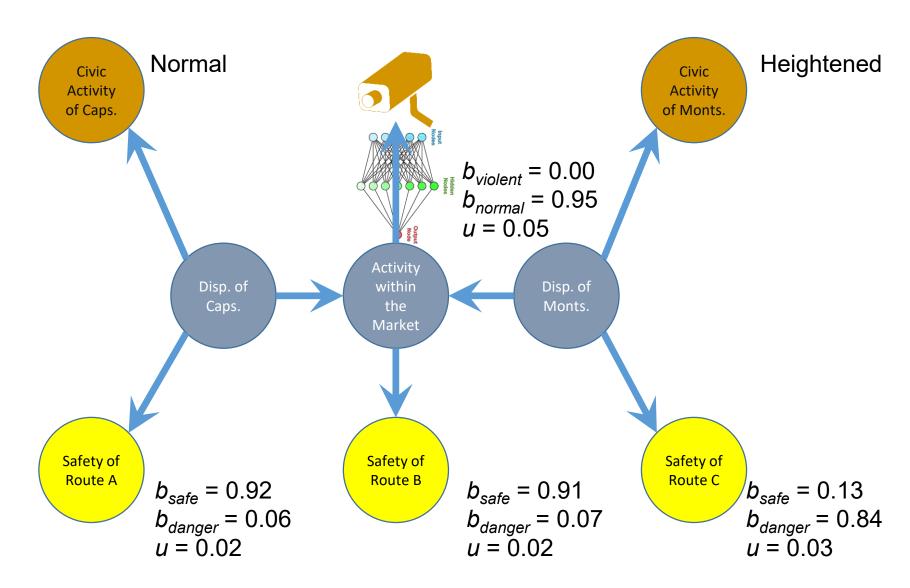






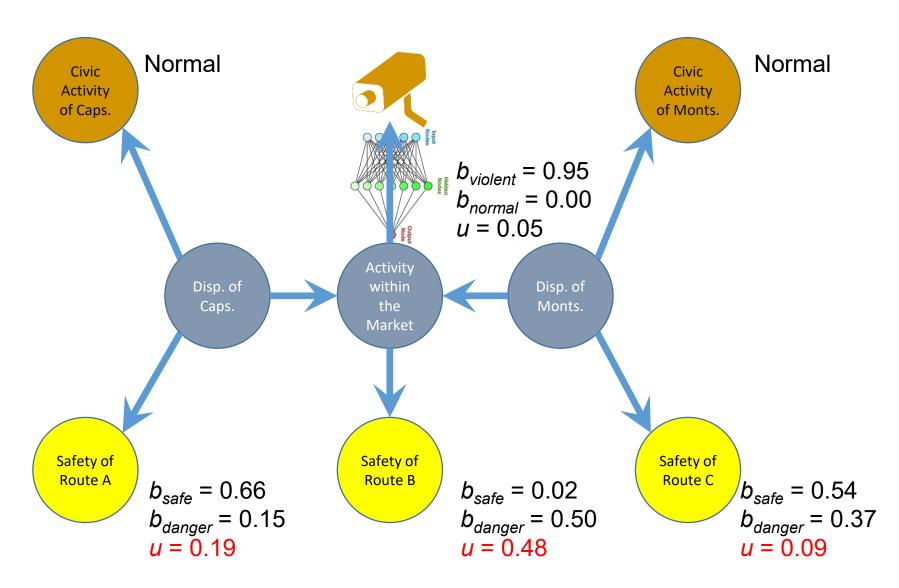






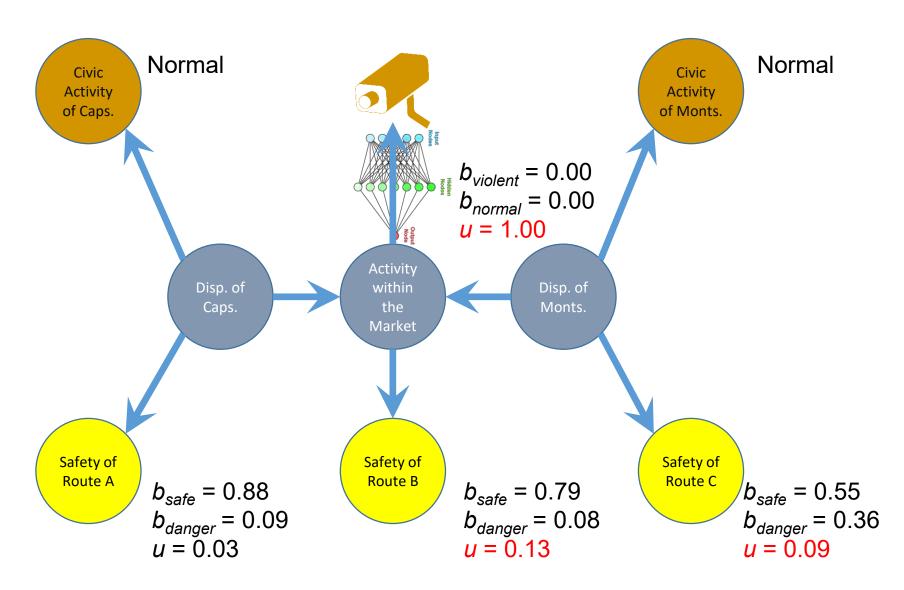












#### **Panel: Machine Reasoning for Decision Support**

# Machine Reasoning for Determination of Threat Level in Irregular Warfare

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## Irregular Warfare (IW)

Irregular warfare (IW) is defined as a violent struggle among state and nonstate actors for legitimacy and influence over the relevant populations. IW favors indirect and asymmetric approaches, though it may employ the full range of military and other capabilities, in order to erode an adversary's power, influence, and will. It is inherently a protracted struggle that will test the resolve of our Nation and our strategic partners.

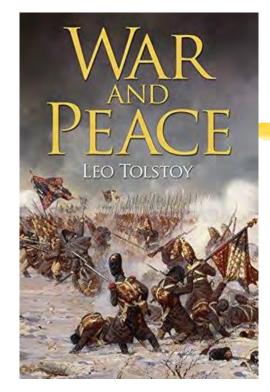
Irregular Warfare (IW)

Joint Operating Concept (JOC)



- **X** IW campaign depends on <u>military power</u> and (more on) <u>understanding of social dynamics</u>
- # "People will be the key to IW success"\*
- Social Dynamics
  - Tribal politics, social networks, religious influences, and cultural change

<sup>\*</sup> Irregular War (IW) Joint Operation Concept (JOC)", version 1.0, 9/11/2007. Department of Defense





### "Spirit of Army" and "Human Terrain"

- Retreat of Napoleon and French Army
- **Sudden Russian partisan war and winning**
- ## "A war was determined by the <u>spirit of army</u> not by mass nor by genius" Leo Tolstoy, War and Peace.
- # Importance of people and human activities in field operation in IW and Counterinsurgency (COIN)
- **Human Terrain**: In field operations, "the social, political, and economic environment, belief systems, and forms of interaction of the people among whom soldiers operate."\*
- \* A. M. de Vries, "The Human Terrain of Counterinsurgency Operations: Developing the Military Mindset and Social Science Support," Defense Science and Technology Laboratory, Wiltshire, UK, 2010.

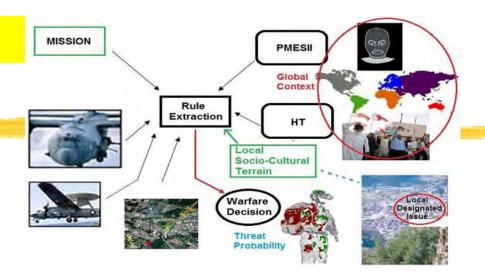
# **Technical Approach**

### **3 Objective:**

Development of an irregular warfare decision assist system for determining and predicting the operating environment threat level by utilizing diverse HT (human terrain) data of past and real-time transient socio-cultural events.

#### **# Benefits:**

- Incorporation of the global perspective in to local decision making for irregular warfare in determining threat under diverse and transient social and military situations → Operational Benefit
- △ Answer to :"With the local populace info gathered by Sp Op, what is the insurgency/tribal uproar threat?



### **Approach**

- ✓ Information Entropy based Algorithm for Applying inductive inference → machination → Update and Learning
- Extraction of dominant contributors (of high separability) toward Rule
   Generation with Prob and margin of error

# Expectation, Surprise, Information, Entropy

#### Information measure

- Comparison of the contents of new data (evidence) with the prior state of expectation
- ☐ Information Quantity (I<sub>O</sub>) "Prior estimate of a probability (expectation)"

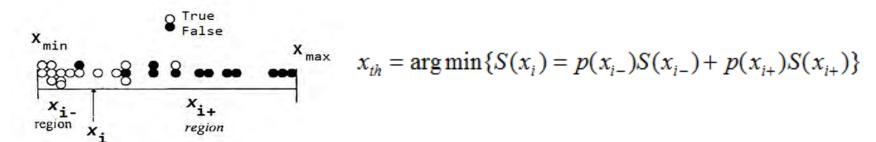
$$I_Q = -k \ln P$$

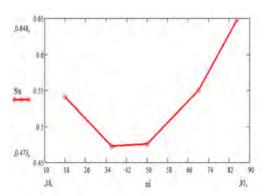
- **#** Claude Shannon:

$$S = -k\sum_{i} P_{i} \ln P_{i}$$

# **Attribute Values and Conversion to Binary Values**

- Analog Value Attributes
- # Threshold value determination (for binary designation)
- Conditional Entropy and Entropy Minimization





 $S(x_{i+}) = -[p(T \mid x_{i+}) \ln p(T \mid x_{i+}) + p(F \mid x_{i+}) \ln p(F \mid x_{i+})] : \text{ Conditional entropy for } x_{i+} : \quad [x_i, X_{\max}]$   $p(x_{i-}) : \text{ is the ratio of the number of samples in the } x_{i-} : \quad [X_{\min}, x_i] \text{ domain and the total number of samples,}$   $p(x_{i+}) \underset{\text{is}}{\text{is}} \text{ the ratio of the number of samples in } \text{the } x_{i+} : \quad [x_i, X_{\max}] \text{ domain and the total number of samples,}$   $p(T \mid x_{i-}) : \underset{\text{the ratio of the number of samples in } x_{i-} : \quad [X_{\min}, x_i] \text{ domain which belongs to outcome T}$  and the total number of samples in  $x_{i-} : \quad [X_{\min}, x_i] \text{ domain,}$   $p(F \mid x_{i-}) : \underset{\text{the ratio of the number of samples in } x_{i-} : \quad [X_{\min}, x_i] \text{ domain which belongs to outcome F}$  and the total number of samples in  $x_{i-} : \quad [X_{\min}, x_i] \text{ domain,}$ 

 $S(x_{i_-}) = - \left[ p(T \mid x_{i_-}) \ln p(T \mid x_{i_-}) + p(F \mid x_{i_-}) \ln p(F \mid x_{i_-}) \right]$ : Conditional entropy for  $x_{i_-}$ :  $\left[ X_{\min}, x_i \right]$  domain,

# Dominant Contributors – Order of Importance

$$S_{i1} = -[p_i(T \mid 1) \ln p_i(T \mid 1) + p_i(F \mid 1) \ln p_i(F \mid 1)]$$

$$S_{i0} = -[p_i(T \mid 0) \ln p_i(T \mid 0) + p_i(F \mid 0) \ln p_i(F \mid 0)]$$

$$S_i = p_i(0)S_{i0} + p_i(1)S_{i1}$$

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### **Decision Rule with Dominant Contributors**

- # Prediction rule R<sub>k</sub> for the k-th attribute
  - Highest conditional probability from

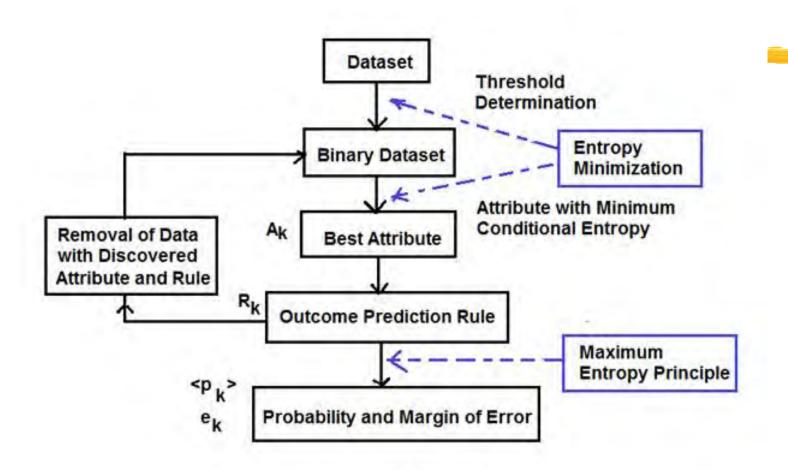
$$p_k(T | 1), p_k(T | 0), p_k(F | 1), p_k(F | 0)$$

- ## Unbiased Probability (Bayesian Estimate) "Laplace Rule of Succession"
  - Maximum Entropy based
  - $\triangle$  x<sub>k</sub>: For k-th attribute, the total number of samples satisfying the <u>condition</u> and the <u>outcome</u> (event)
- # Uncertainty or Margin of Error(e)

$$e_k(O) = z \cdot \frac{\langle p_k(O) \rangle \cdot \{1 - \langle p_k(O) \rangle\}}{n_k + 2}$$

 $< p_k(O) >= \frac{x_k + 1}{n_k + 2}$ 

# Structure of Algorithm

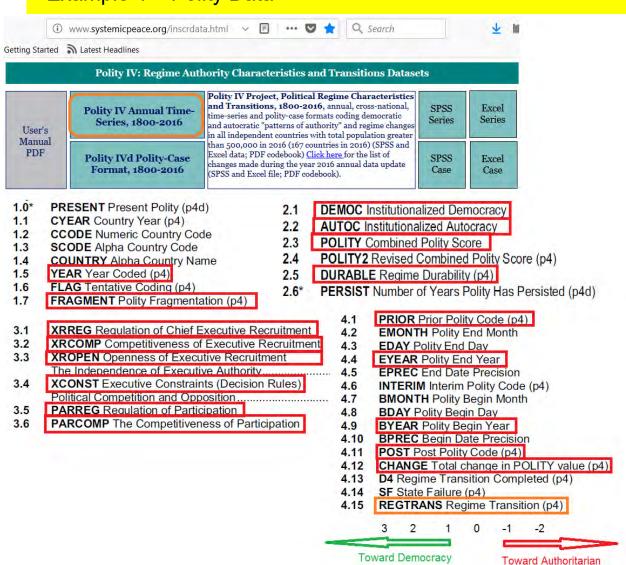


- Lack of or No access to Real Data of Human Terrain
- # Polity Database: Polity IV Project

  - Sponsored by PITF (Political Instability Task Force)



#### Example 4 – Polity Data

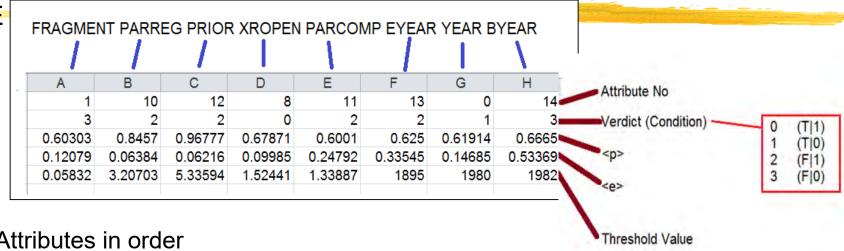




- For Testing
- 16 Attributes
- 1 Classification (RegTrans)
- 1369 Samples
- Randomly divided to 4 sub-samples of almost equal size
  - A, B, C, and D
- (1) Train by A & Test by BCD subset
- (2) Train by AB & Test by CD subset

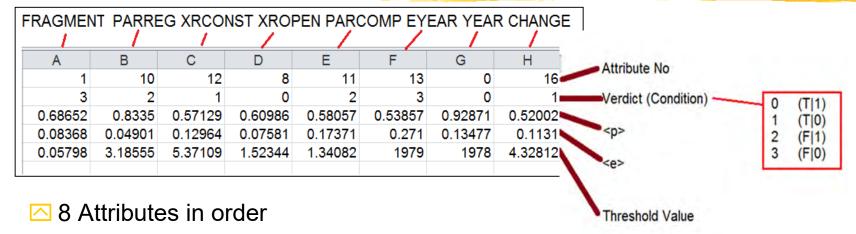
Train by A (387 samples) and Test by BCD (1081 samples)

RULE



- 8 Attributes in order
- Correct (66.51%)
  - ▼ True Positive (19.00 %)

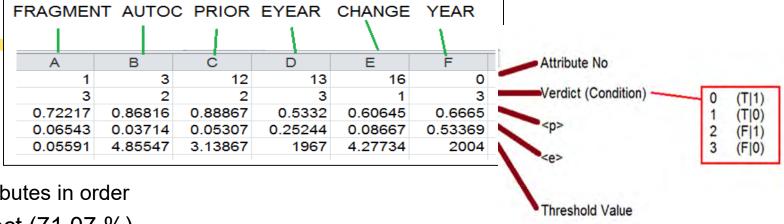
- # Train by AB (749 samples) and Test by CD (719 samples)
- # RULE



- - ▼True Positive (27.82 %)
- - □ False Positive (24.48 %)
  - □ False Negative (11.40 %)

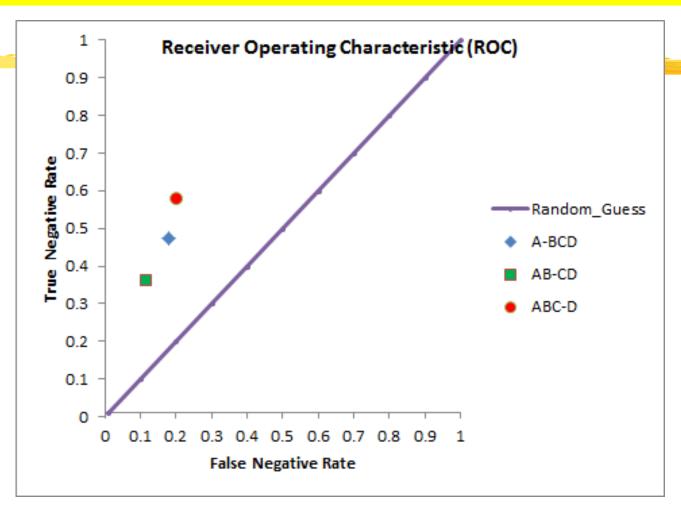
Train by ABC (1121 samples) and Test by D (347 samples)

RULE



- 6 Attributes in order
- Correct (71.07 %)
  - ▼ True Positive (13.21%)
  - ▼ True Negative (57.86 %)
- Fewer Number of Attributes
- Accuracy Improved
- raised and <e> lowered

### Polity Data – ROC (Receiver Operating Characteristic)



### Conclusions

- Machine Reasoning Prototype Implementation
- # Dominant Contributor Extraction ("High Separability")
   → Data Size Reduction
- **Rule Extraction with Quantified Probability and Margin of Error**
- # Update with New Data and Decision Experience (Success or Failure)
- Theoretical Rigor in Data Analytics
- Other Application Areas

  - Radicalization Detection
    - When do people snap?

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# Army Science & Technology



# Army Science & Technology Overview

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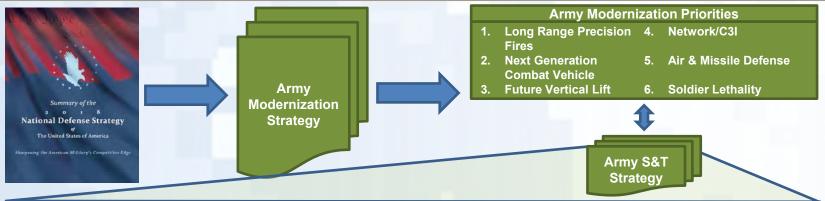
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# **Army S&T Strategy**

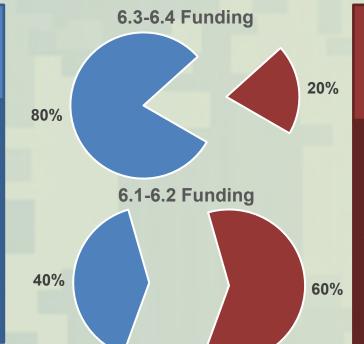




**Army S&T Investment Strategy** 

# S&T Projects Aligned to Modernization Priorities

S&T Projects directly aligned to provide technology options for the Army's Modernization Priorities.



# Exploration & Innovation

Science & Technology
efforts aimed at
exploration, discovery,
and innovation supporting
next generation Army
capabilities in the midand far-term.



### The Urgency of Modernization



The Army's Mission remains constant: To deploy, fight, and win our Nation's wars by providing ready, prompt, and sustained land dominance by Army forces across the full spectrum of conflict as part of the Joint Force.

The 2017 National Security Strategy (NSS) and 2018 National Defense Strategy (NDS) call for the Army to become more lethal across all domains in order to deter and defeat near-peer adversaries.

A combination of strategic, technological, and institutional trends now places the Army's competitive advantages at risk.

- ☐ Army's focus on ongoing conflicts combined with reality of constrained resources to slow, defer, and/or halt the development of new capabilities.
- ☐ Adversaries have invested in capabilities to provide overmatch across multiple domains.
- ☐ Army is not institutionally organized to quickly deliver modern, critical capabilities to Soldiers and combat formations.

Inflection Point: The Army can no longer afford to defer modernization without risk of losing overmatch.



### Vision of the Future Army in 2028



The Army of 2028 will be ready to deploy, fight, and win decisively against any adversary, anytime, and anywhere, in a joint, multi-domain, high-intensity conflict, while simultaneously deterring others and maintaining its ability to conduct irregular warfare.

Secretary Mark Esper, AUSA, MAR 2018\*

#### The Army will do this through:



- ☐ Employment of modern manned and unmanned ground combat vehicles, aircraft, sustainment systems, and weapons.
- ☐ Coupling them with robust combined arms formations and tactics based on modern warfighting doctrine.
- Centering on exceptional Leaders and Soldiers of unmatched lethality.



By investing in the Army's Six Modernization Priorities:

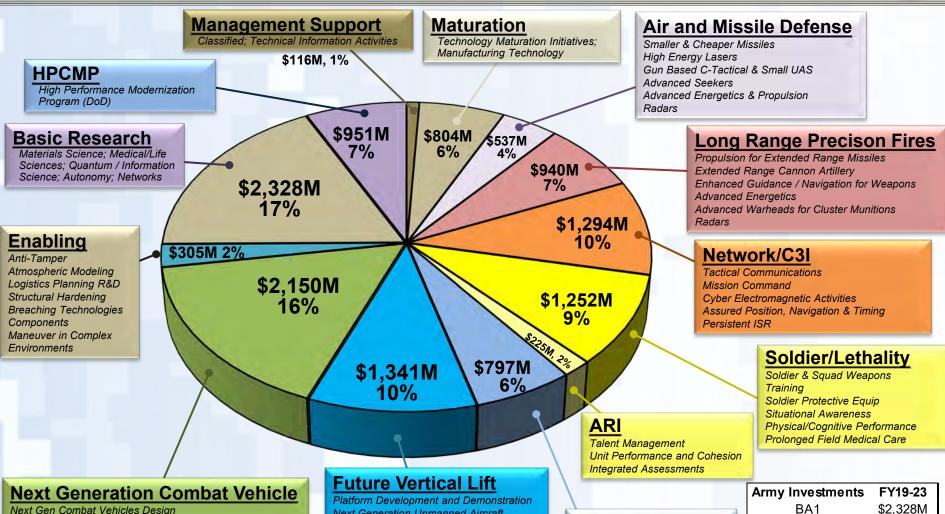
Long Range Precision Fires
Next Generation of Combat Vehicles
Future Vertical Lift

Army Network
Air and Missile Defense
Soldier Lethality

Technologies with leading edge potential that support these priorities include:

Artificial Intelligence (AI), ultra-secure communications, robotics, virtual reality, the internet of things, energetics, Directed Energy (DE), and ultra-designed materials.

# Army S&T Investments by Priority PB19 - \$13.7B (FY19-23)



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Vehicle Protection Against Advanced Threats

Advanced Power Generation and Distribution

SOLDIERS AS THE DECISIVE EDGE

Al, Robotics and Autonomy for Logistics & Combat Ops

Advanced Energetics & Direct Fire Weapons Systems

DESIGN • DEVELOP • DELIVER • DOMINATE •

BA7 \$301M Advanced Power Systems BA6 \$155M, Procurement \$350M

Medical

Combat Casualty Care,

Infectious Disease mitigation.

clinical/rehabilitative medicine

Next Generation Unmanned Aircraft

Aviation Protection / Aircraft Survivability

System Technologies

Situational Awareness

Integrated Mission Systems

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BA4

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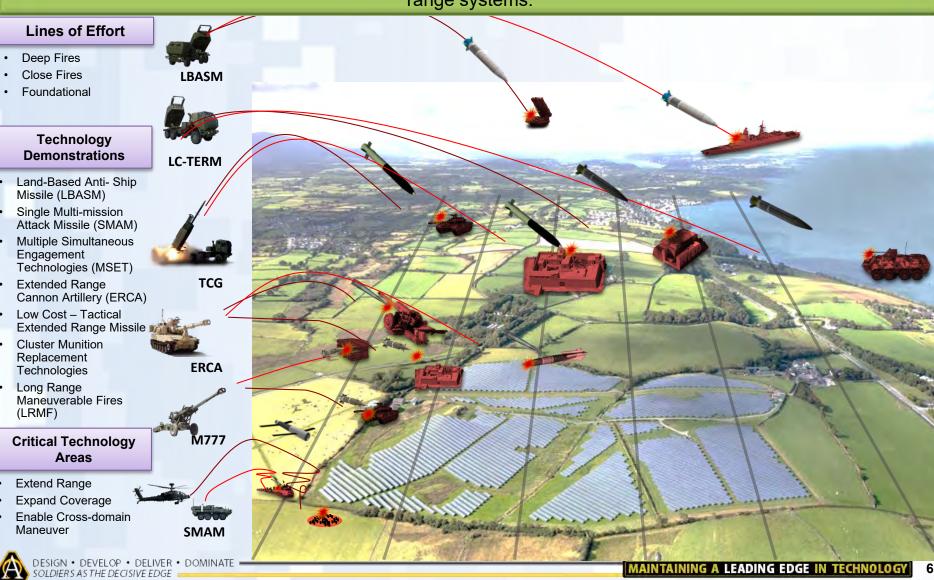
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# Long Range Precision Fires



MAINTAINING A LEADING EDGE IN TECHNOLOGY

Goal: Provide extended range allowing an increased capability to support maneuver and counter enemy longrange systems.



### **Next Generation Combat Vehicle**



**Goal:** Engage in close combat and deliver decisive lethality during the execution of combined arms maneuver.

#### **Lines of Effort**

- Robotics & Autonomous Systems
- Ground Vehicle Platforms
- Armor & Active Protection
- Kinetic & Laser Lethality Effects

#### Technology Demonstrations

- Combat Vehicle Robotics (CoVeR)
- Robotics for Engineer Operations
- Ground System Active Defense (GSAD)
- Advanced Powertrain Demonstrator
- Advanced Lethality & Accuracy System for Medium Caliber (ALAS-MC)
- Extended Line of Sight (ELoS)

#### **Critical Technology Areas**

- Maneuver Robotics and Autonomous Systems
- Directed Energy & Energetics
- Power Generation & Management
- Advanced Armor
- Vehicle Protection Suites



Advancing Ground Capability to Enable Joint Combined Arms Maneuver

# **Future Vertical Lift**



**Goal:** Close selected Army capability gaps and rapidly deliver 5<sup>th</sup> Gen rotorcraft to the Army.

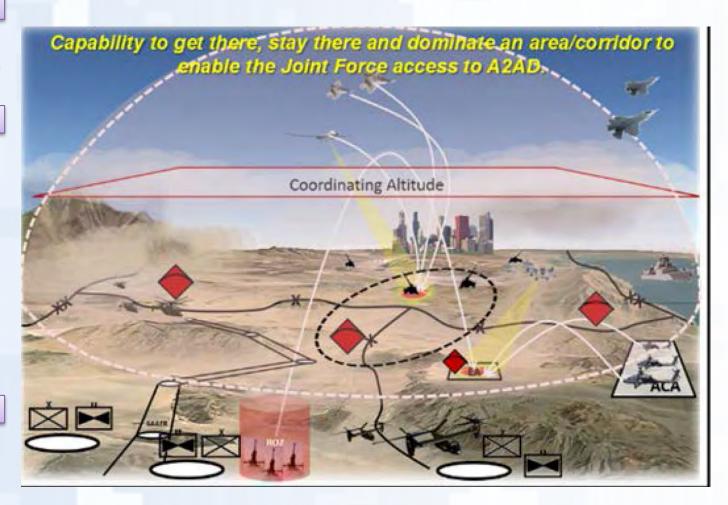
#### **Lines of Effort**

- FVL Capability Set 1
- · Modular Open Systems Approach
- Future Unmanned Aircraft System
- FVL Capability Set 3

#### **Technology Demonstrations**

- Joint Multi-Role Technology Demonstrator
- Degraded Visual Environment-Mitigation
- Next Generation Tactical UAS Tech Demonstrator
- · Alternative Concept Engine
- Next Gen Rotorcraft Transmission
- · Integrated Mission Equipment
- · Modular Missile Technology
- · Multi-Role Small Guided Missile
- Advanced Rotorcraft Armaments Protection System

- Expanded Reach & Protection during Movement of Forces
- Increased payload, maneuverability and performance
- · Manned-Unmanned Teaming



### Network/C3I



**Goal:** Provide Soldier with assured communications in contested environments through situationally-aware, intelligent network, and autonomously routing of information over resilient communications link.

#### **Lines of Effort**

- Unified Network
- Common Operating Environment
- Command Post
- Core Competencies
- PNT Enterprise Enabler
- PNT Ground User Equipment

#### Technology Demonstrations

- Modular RF
- Non-Traditional Waveforms
- Protected SATCOM
- · WGS Interference Cancellation
- Spectrum Obfuscation
- Next Gen HF
- · Every Receiver a Sensor
- Robust Grey C3I
- Integrated Demos with NGCV, Soldier Lethality, FVL, AMD, and LRPF

- Tactical Network/Comms
- CEMA/EW/Cyber
- Mission Command/Command Posts
- A-PNT
- Persistent ISR



### **Air and Missile Defense**



Goal: Provide capability to defend against enemy air attack at extended range.

#### **Lines of Effort**

- Indirect Fire Protection Capability
- Maneuver Short Range Air Defense
- Sensors & Other Efforts

#### Technology Demonstrations

- Low Cost Extended Range Air Defense (LowER AD)
- Maneuver AD Technologies (MADT)
- Ballistic Low Altitude Drone Engagement (BLADE)
- Accurate Rapid Controlled Hybrid Effects Round (ARCHER)
- High Energy Laser Tactical Vehicle Demonstrator (HEL TVD)
- Multi-Mission High Energy Laser (MMHEL)
- Unconventional Countermeasures & Survivability

- Mobile and Survivable Maneuver Short Range Air Defense (M-SHORAD)
- Counter UAS
- Operate within a Contested Environment



# **Soldier Lethality**



**Goal:** Improve Soldier and small unit performance, reduce surprise, increase protection, and enhance lethality in close combat on an intensely lethal and distributed battlefield and within complex, urban terrains.

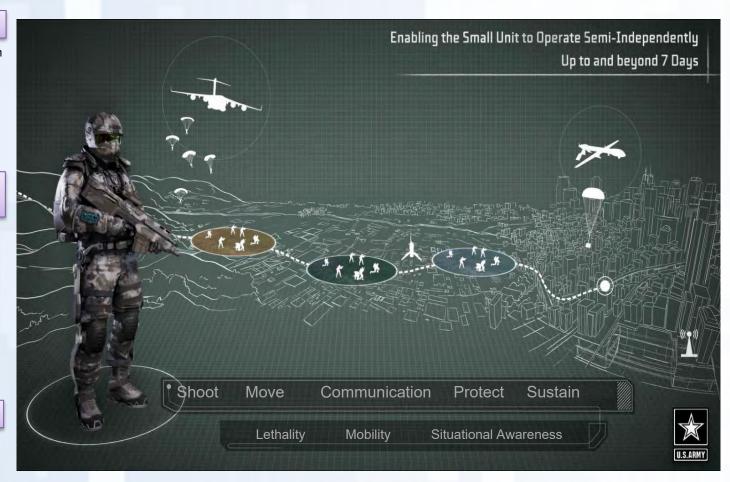
#### **Lines of Effort**

- Next Generation Squad Weapon
- Enhanced Night Vision Goggle-Binocular
- Adaptive Soldier Architecture
- Synthetic Training Environment
- Personnel Research
- Core Competencies

#### Technology Demonstrations

- Next Gen Squad Weapons Technology
- Next Generation Family of Ammunition
- Soldier Signature Management
- Extreme Austere Environmental Protection
- Integrated Headborne Systems
- Body Armor
- Common Synthetic Environment
- Exoskeleton Systems

- Next Generation Squad Weapons and Ammunition
- Enhanced Body Armor
- Improved Soldier and Small Unit Performance
- Reduce the Soldier's Load and Increase Bearing Capacity





- The Army S&T strategy supports the Army Modernization Strategy, and ultimately the National Defense Strategy
- The strategy balances S&T investments in support of the Army's Modernization Priorities with investments in Exploration and Innovation for the next generation of Capability
- Army S&T has undertaken a series of initiatives to implement this strategy, restore portfolio balance, and ensure transition of technologies in support of the Army's Modernization Priorities



# Questions?





# **Immersive Technologies:**

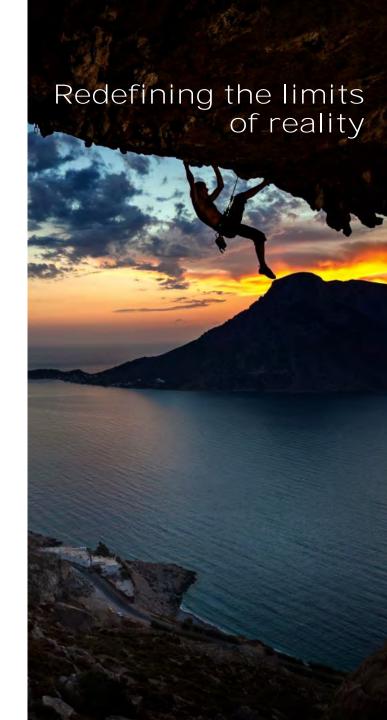
# The Future of Information Portrayal for Ground Soldiers





# Real-time Immersive Audio for Realistic Training

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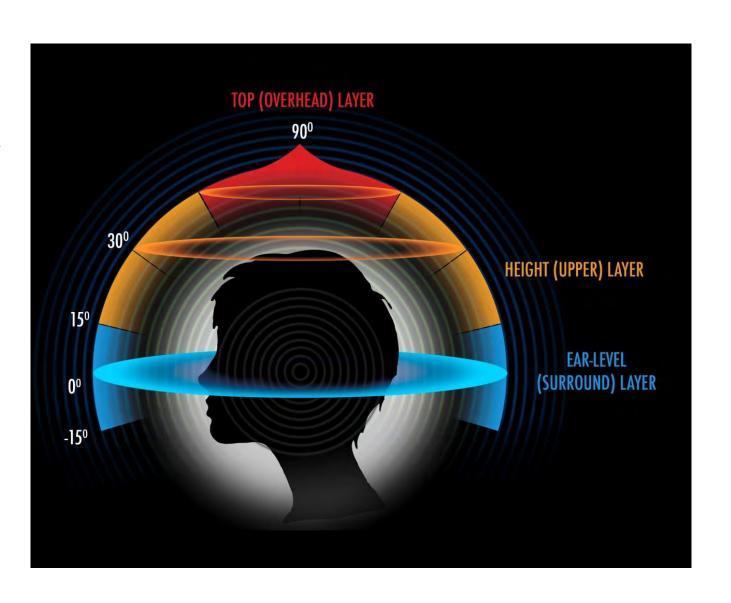




## Introducing Object-based, Real-time Audio Processing

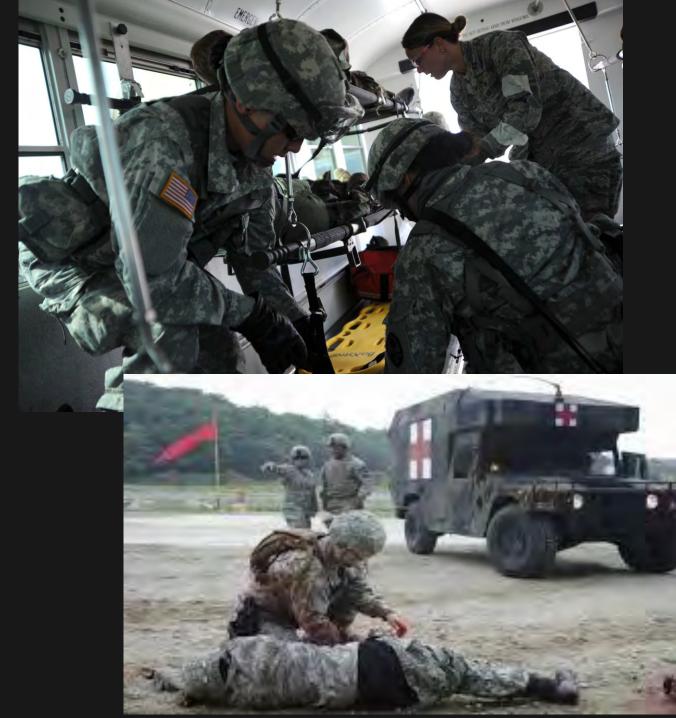
### Object-based sound means:

- It positions sound correctly relative to the trainee's position and object's behavior in 3D space (x,y,z).
- No sweet spot.
- Independent of speaker setup.

























# TRAINING and SIM

- Flight simulators
- HUD
- Emergency simulation
- Drone training
- Tactical training
- Psyops
- Hand-eye coordination
- Target practice
- Battlefield simulation











# HEALTH and REHAB

- Assessment
  - Visuo-vest
  - Oculomotor
  - Balance
  - Cognition
- Treatment
  - PTSD
  - TBI
  - Pain
  - Fear/Phobia





# SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY

- Visual-perceptual
- Decision-making
- Neural correlates
- Oculomotor
- Cybersickness
- Integrated systems
  - VOG
  - EEG
  - HMD







# Soldier Borne Power Generation In Tier 1 Environments

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"When you are short of everything but the enemy, you're in combat"

MLoC





# Challenges

- Soldiers will be used for missions of longer duration and will be more isolated from supply lines
- Soldiers today use more technology to act as force multipliers
- The trend is to use more electronics
- Capabilities = Batteries = Weight Burden = Ineffective Soldiers





# U.S.ARMY



# **Battery Types**

## Primary Batteries

- Pro
  - Higher energy density allows for longer running time of equipment (120-300 Wh/Kg)
  - Less expensive
- Con
  - Cannot be recharged
- Rechargeable Batteries
  - Pro
    - Rechargeable. (200+ recharging cycles)
    - Long term costs are reduced
  - Con
    - Energy density is lower (80-125 Wh/Kg)
    - Initial cost is high
    - Requires recharging capabilities





# **Recharging Batteries**

- Fossil fuels
- Clean technologies
- Harvesting





#### **Fossil Fuels**

- Pro
  - High energy density (1 kW)
  - Low exertion from user
  - Low cost
- Con
  - Fuel logistics
  - Weight
  - Noise
  - Smell







# **Clean Technologies**

#### Solar

- Pro
  - Lightweight
  - Silent
  - Power (c. 50 W/m<sup>2</sup>)
- Con
  - Not rugged
  - Time/weather limited
  - Signature
  - Cost





#### Fuel Cells

- Pro
  - Steady power (10-50 W)
  - Silent
  - Clean waste
- Con
  - Cost
  - Fuel logistics
  - Weight



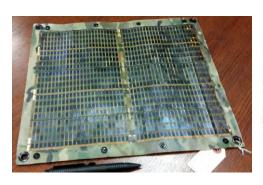






# **Harvesting Technologies**

- Solar
  - Pro
    - Lightweight
    - Power (c. 130 W/m<sup>2</sup>)
  - Con
    - Not rugged
    - Cost





- Kinetic
  - Pro
    - Lightweight
    - Power availability
  - Con
    - Low to medium noise
    - Effort required
    - Acceptability









#### **Backpack Frame Kinetic Harvester**

- Energy generator based on frequency and mass
- Power: 8 40 W
- Weight: 10 lbs. frame
- Material: plastic
- Can be used as a static power generator
- Ruggedized frame able to handle up to 100 lbs.







#### **Kinetic Knee Harvester**

- Energy Generator based on knee movement
- Power = 9-12 W
  - Uphill ≈ 6 W
  - Downhill ≈ 30 W
- Weight: 5 lbs
- Materials: Kevlar and carbon fiber
- GPS denied navigation
- Augmentation (fatigue reduction)





#### **Observations**

- - Energy requirements are rising exponentially and is becoming an unsustainable trend for the dismounted Soldier
  - Current battery load is 16-20 lbs.
  - Other capabilities (UAS, UGS, etc.) add additional power requirements and associated weight
  - Emerging capabilities (augmentation) will add to the overall power demand





"I don't care if I am low on everything, as long as I have power, I can call for those items that I need"

CO from a 25<sup>th</sup> ID company







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# LASERS FOR DEW BASED ON FULLY CRYSTALLINE FIBERS

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### **ASSL – DISRUPTIVE TECHNOLOGIES**

### ARL's Advanced Solid State Laser (ASSL) Team:

- Develops disruptive technologies
- Supports CFT Priorities:
  - Army Air and Missile Defense (AMD)
    - HEL Enabling/Support Technologies
       w/SMDC for DEW systems development
  - Future Vertical Lift (FVL)
    - Aircraft Survivability w/CERDEC





#### **ARMY RELEVANCE**

- Mission: Develop compact and reliable high power laser sources (HELs) for Counter-Rocket/ Artillery/Mortar (C-RAM) applications
- Challenge: Reduce system Size Weight and Power (SWaP) and complexity for smaller platforms
- ARL Essential Research Program (ERP)
   "Distributed & Cooperative Engagements in Contested Environments"
  - "HEL with Low SWAP-C" Technology Gap

#### **Current State of the Art**



**High Energy Laser Mobile Test Truck (HELMTT)** 

- 60 kW HELMTT Master Laser with 58 individual spectrally combined ~1kW fibers
- Next short term Army goal –
   100 kW class Master Laser on
   Stryker Combat Vehicle





#### **KEY TECHNICAL CHALLENGES**

- Current System Limitations
  - Laser DEW based on current SOA in fiber lasers
  - Must combine multiple fibers to increase power
  - HELMTT Master Laser: 58 individual 1kW fibers
  - Too big for small Army platforms
- Major SWAP Reduction Needed
  - Increase power per fiber 10-50X
  - Only 2 lasers to be combined to get 100 kW
- ARL approach explore laser power scaling based on fully crystalline gain fibers
  - Theoretical predictions from 2010 [1,2]
  - First laser demonstrations based on fully crystalline doubleclad fibers [3,4]

Smallest Army Platforms







BLUF: Laser power out of a single fiber can be scaled by a factor of 10-50X



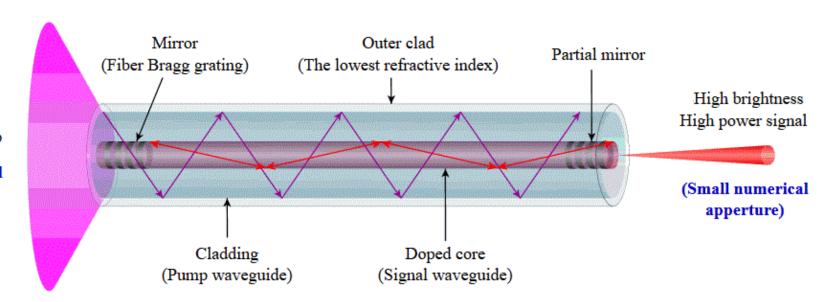


#### **DOUBLE CLAD FIBERS**

#### How does the double clad fiber work:

Low brightness High power pump

(Large numerical apperture)



'All-Glass' Fiber

or

'Fully Crystalline' Fiber

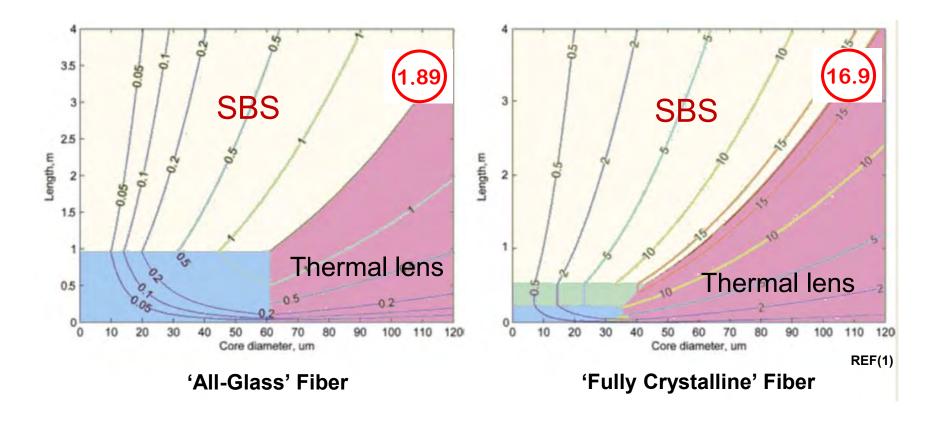
a.k.a. "crystalline core/crystalline cladding" (CCCC = C4) fiber





# POWER SCALING POTENTIAL OF C4 FIBERS OUT OF A SINGLE FIBER APERTURE

Maximum laser power in Yb-doped C4 YAG-fiber case is (conservatively) 10X the maximum expected power in the Yb<sup>3+</sup> doped silica fiber



SBS – Stimulated Brillouin Scattering YAG – Yttrium Aluminum Garnet crystal

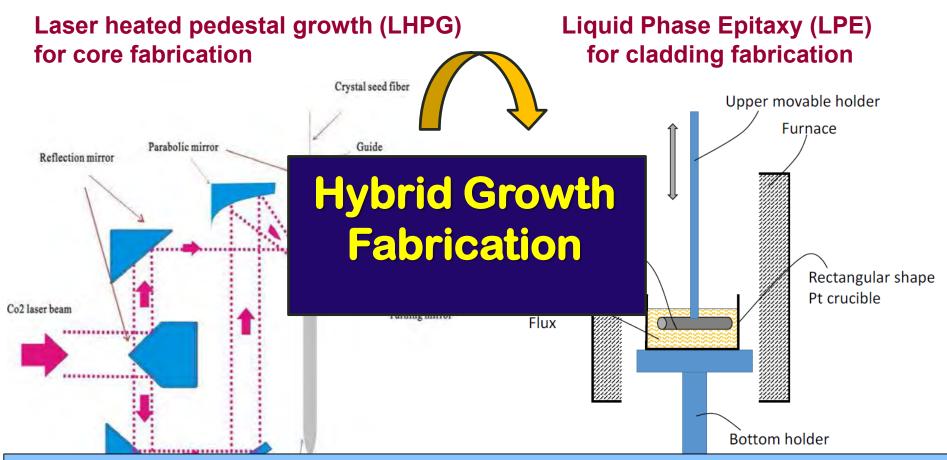








# C4 FIBER VIA HYBRID GROWTH FABRICATION APPROACH (HGFA)



#### RESULT

Length-scalable and coilable C4-design low-loss laser fibers

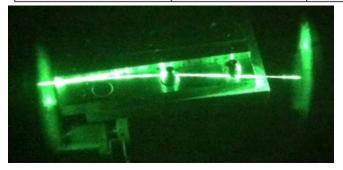




#### FIRST STEPS IN FABRICATION AND TESTING

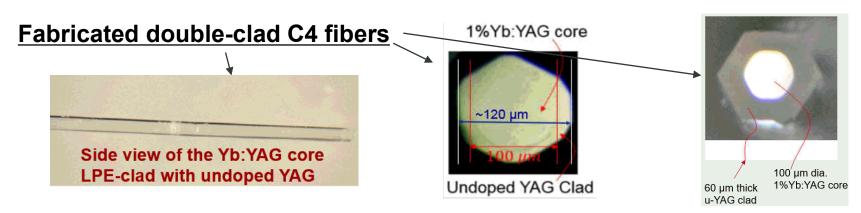
#### Highly efficient waveguided laser operation of RE-doped cores:

Core	Pump source,	Slope	Laser	Fiber	Straight or bent
composition	wavelength	efficiency	wavelength	dimensions	
Yb <sup>3+</sup> (1%):YAG (Ref. [2])	Multimode laser diode module, 969 nm	58.3% - - (published) Most recent results: 78%	1030 nm	100 mm, dia. 100 μm	Both straight, and bent to a dia. of ~30 cm



Waveguided laser operation of intentionally bent unclad Yb:YAG core. Observed with the same slope efficiency as with the straight core

#### LHPG-grown YAG cores are good enough for fabrication of C4 DC fibers

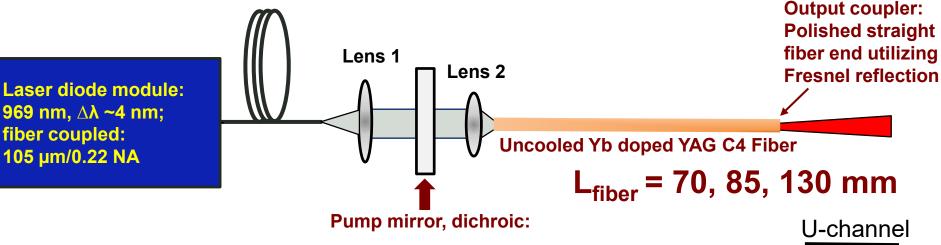




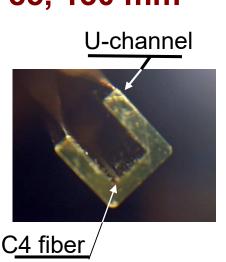


#### **EXPERIMENTAL LASER SETUP**

#### Co-pumped C4 fiber laser setup



Q-CW pump regime of testing: 1 ms pump pulse duration, 1% duty cycle.

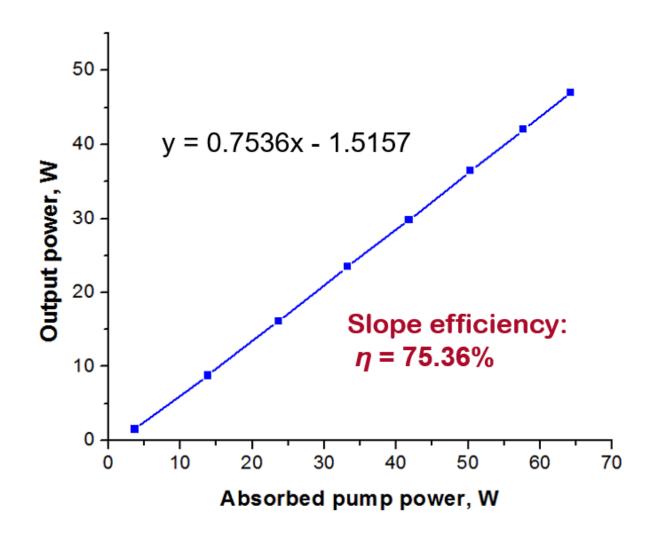






#### **BEST LASER EFFICIENCY SO FAR**

#### Results after pump mode and cavity optimization







#### **CONCLUSIONS**

- Power scaling in crystalline-based fibers shown to be theoretically feasible
- Fabrication of the 'crystalline core/crystalline cladding' (C4) fibers was demonstrated using the Hybrid Growth Fabrication as a combination of LHPG and LPE
- Demonstrated ~50 W of Q-CW power from an uncooled 'Yb:YAG core/undoped-YAG clad' C4 fiber with ~70% optical-to-optical efficiency and over 75% slope efficiency
- Improvements in the quality of a double-clad C4 fiber will yield greater power and efficiency
- C4 fiber design upgrades for true CW operation are in progress
- This work demonstrates a viable pathway to major SWaP and complexity reduction of laser DEW systems in support of AMD



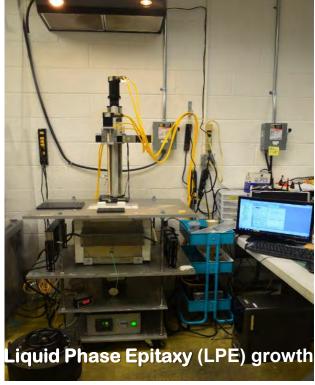


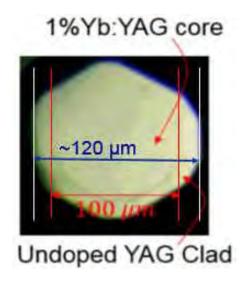
# Backup slides





#### YB:YAG/YAG C4 FIBER - LPE CLAD

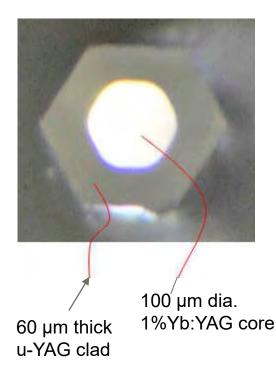




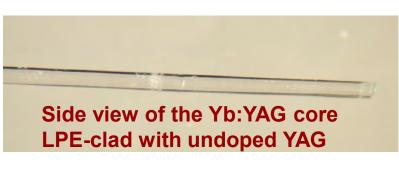
 $n_{YAG}$  (1030 nm) = 1.8153  $n_{Yb(1\%):YAG}$  (1030 nm) = 1.8155

Core NA = 0.027 V number = 8.22

So this fiber core was never meant to be a singe-mode one



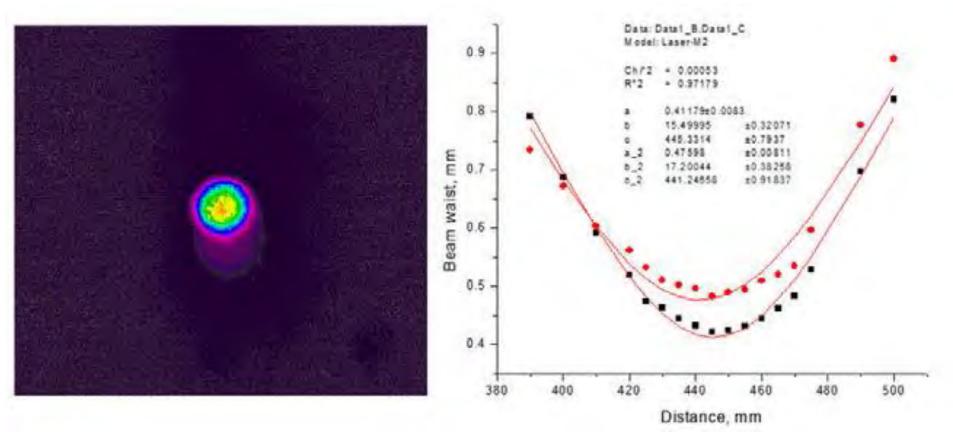
Growing thicker cladding is possible, but we do not currently specifically push for it







# EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS - BEAM QUALITY



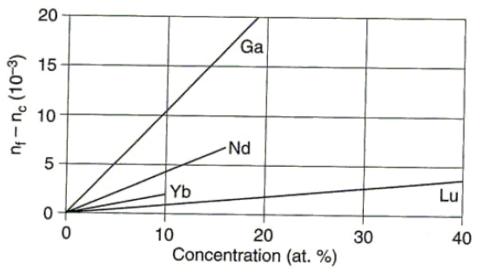
Far field laser output spatial power distribution

 $M^2$  measurement results:  $M^2_x \sim 15$ ,  $M^2_v \sim 17$ 





# HOW DO WE DESIGN THE C4 FIBER FOR A SINGLE-MODE OPERATION



M. Malinowski, J. Sarnecki, R. Piramidowicz, P. Szczepanski, and W. Wolinski, "Epitaxial Re3+:YAG planar waveguide lasers," Opto-Electronics Review 9, 67-74, 2001.

Refractive index change rate in commonly used RE-doped YAG crystals.

RE dopant	Lu	Yb	Tm	Er	Но	Nd
$\Delta n(\times 10^{-4})/1\%$	0.96	1.60	2.08	2.10	2.44	4.74

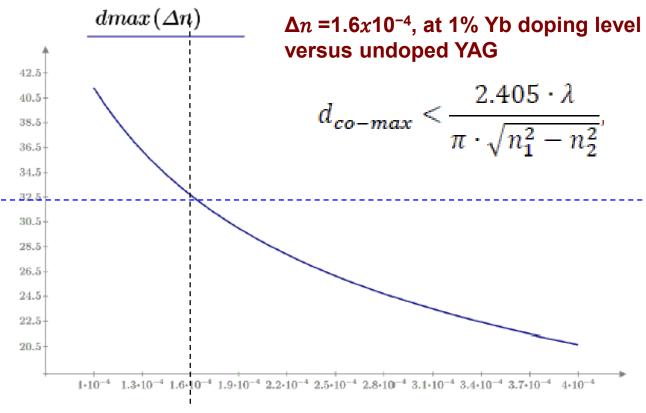
X.Mu, H.Meissner, H-C.Lee, M.Dubinskii, "True Crystalline Fibers: Double-Clad LMA Design Concept of Tm:YAG-Core Fiber and Mode Simulation", Proc. of SPIE Vol. 8237, 82373M (2012)





# CAN WE TURN THIS LASER INTO A SINGLE TRANSVERSE MODE DEVICE?

Calculated maximum core diameter as a function refractive index difference between core and cladding



 $\Delta n$ 

All we need to do (for Yb<sup>3+</sup> 1% doping in YAG vs undoped YAG) is to go to a core diameter of ~30 μm, which is shown to be very feasible for LHPG-grown cores



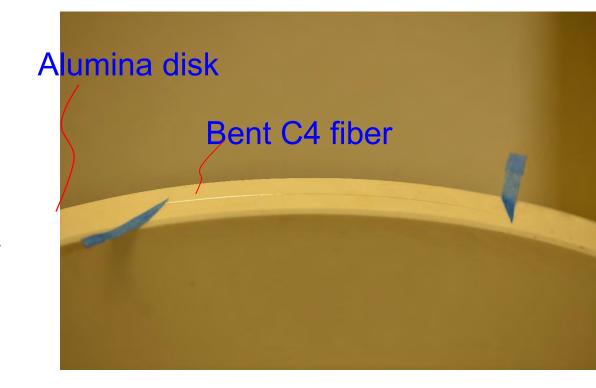


#### **C4 FIBER - BENDABILITY**

#### We demonstrated the

bending (or coiling)
capability of our C4
fiber, enabling future
operation when the
length extents to over
0.5 m, or so

Shown to the right is the C4 fiber bent on an alumina disk with a diameter around 30 cm

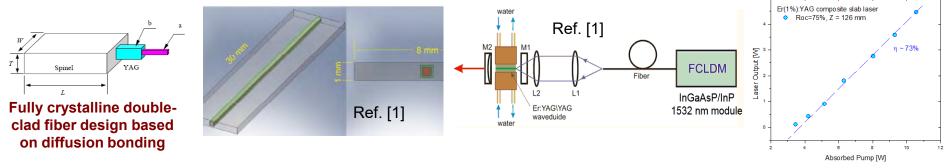




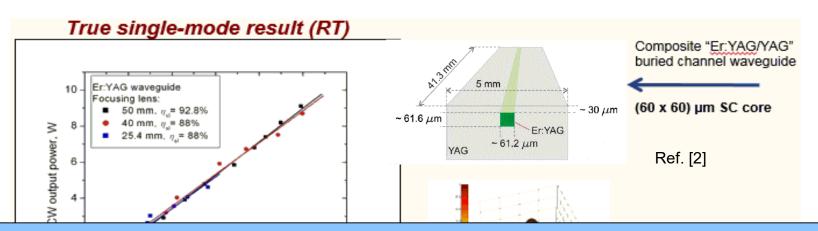




# SMALL CRYSTALLINE WAVEGUIDING STRUCTURES: OUR EARLY ANALOG OF CCCC (C4) FIBER



[1] N. Ter-Gabrielyan, V. Fromzel, X. Mu, H. Meissner, and M. Dubinskii, "High efficiency, resonantly diode pumped, double-clad, Er:YAG-core, waveguide laser," Opt. Express 20 (23), 25554-25561 (2012).



First experiments with fully-crystalline fiber-like double-clad structures in bulk crystalline materials provided a proof-of concept, but, based on fabrication technique, are not amenable either to major length scaling, or fiber coiling



# Preliminary Characterization of Head-Supported Mass Exposure in a Simulated Dismounted Operating Environment

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# **Head-Supported Mass**

#### **Head-Supported Mass (HSM) = helmets and helmet-mounted systems**

- Military helmets provide Soldier protection and enable use of advanced electronic systems, e.g., night vision goggles or communications systems
- Head-supported mass has been linked with decreased performance and increased injury risk
  - 90,456 (12%) Army Ground Soldiers in Infantry, Armor, and Amphibious MOSs sought treatment for spine-related conditions between 2006-2015 (Defense Medical Epidemiology Database)
  - 70% of those Soldiers were under the age of 30 at the time of the treatment
- Existing HSM criteria do not include guidance for rapid technology advancements
- No HSM criteria exist for mounted or dismounted Ground Soldiers









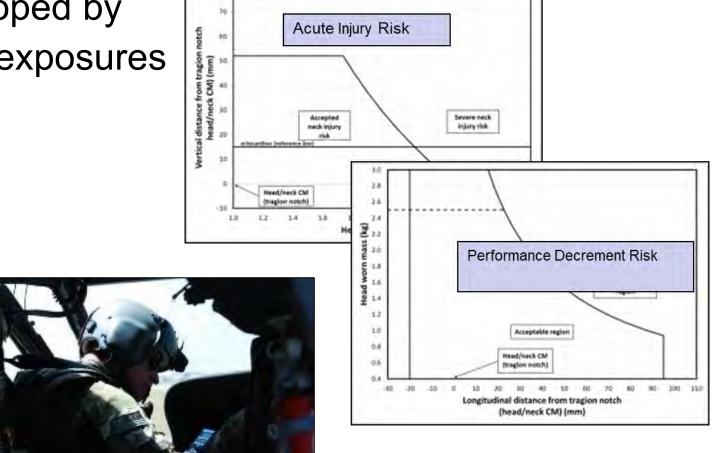
We must know the performance effects and injury risk of HSM to establish helmet and helmet-mounted device performance specifications for emerging technology.



# **Existing HSM Guidance**

- Existing HSM guidelines developed by USAARL around aviation-type exposures (McEntire, 1998)
  - Acute Injury Risk
  - Performance Decrement







# **Operational Need**

- Different operating environments have different exposures and movement requirements
- PEO Soldier needs HSM guidelines for dismounted Soldiers



Pictures from Defense Visual Information Distribution System (DVIDS)

#1 Research Gap: Characterize the operating environment relative to exposures received during individual maneuvers

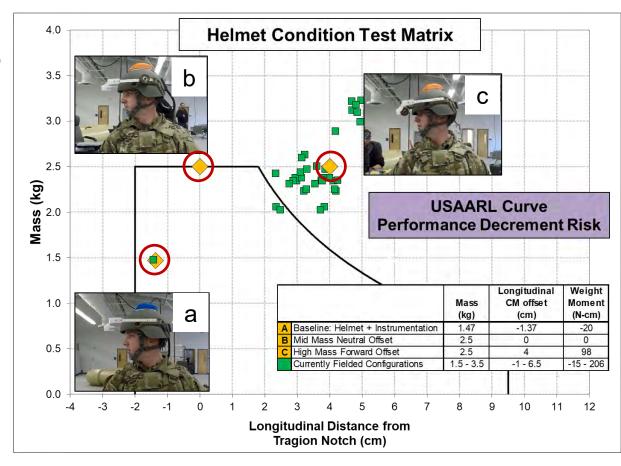
(HSM Expert Panel Working Group, 2016)

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# **Methods: Overview**

- USAMRMC IRB-approved volunteer research protocol
- Load Effects Assessment Program-Army (LEAP-A), Fort Benning, GA
- TRADOC non-medical holdovers
- Body armor (IOTV3 in basic rifleman configuration)
- Simulated HSM conditions: Varied mass and center of mass offset\*
  - a) Baseline ACH (1.5 kg, -1.4 cm rearward offset)
  - b) Mid-mass/neutral offset (2.5 kg, neutral offset)
  - c) Mid-mass/forward offset (2.5 kg, 4 cm forward offset)
  - \*Center of mass offset = longitudinal distance from tragion notch
- Multiple metrics from four variable groups:
  - Kinematic: Helmet-mounted instrumentation package (acceleration, angular rotation, position)
  - Performance: Marksmanship task
  - Physiologic/Biomechanical: Muscle activation, neck strength, range of motion
  - Subjective: Pain, fatigue, exertion, user acceptance



All subjects provided written consent for use of identifiable pictures and video.



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### Methods: Data Down-select

- Acceleration
  - X, Y, Z, resultant
  - Captured at 2500 Hz
  - Time synced with video
- Only 2 of the 12 main LEAP-A obstacles
  - Dive to prone
  - High Wall
- Single HSM configuration
  - 2.5 kg with 4 cm forward offset
  - Representative of common dismounted Soldier configuration used for night operations
- Data reported for 23 subjects
  - 33 volunteers enrolled
    - 31 males
    - 2 females
  - 6 subjects withdrew before study completion
  - 4 subjects excluded for bad data

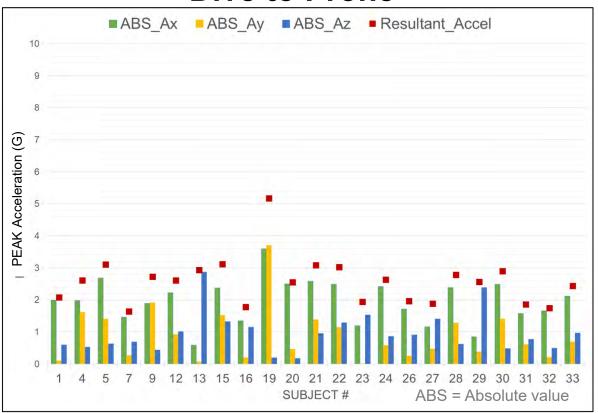


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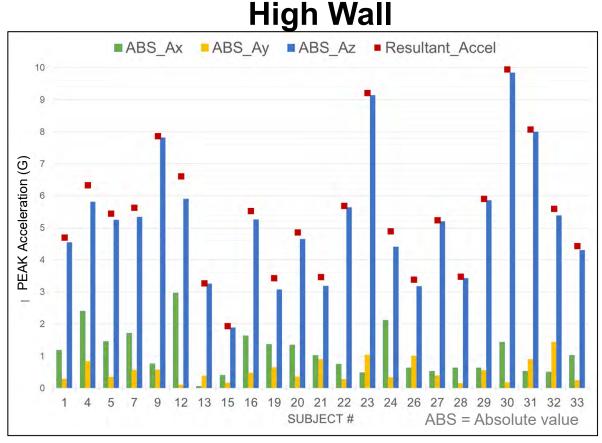
### **Head Resultant Acceleration Dominant Axes**

**Dive to Prone** 





- X axis 0.6 to 3.6G; average = 2.0G
- Y axis 0.02 to 3.7G; average = 0.9G
- Z axis 0.2 to 2.9G; average = 1.0G
- Resultant 1.6 to 5.2G; average = 2.6G



#### Peak acceleration summary:

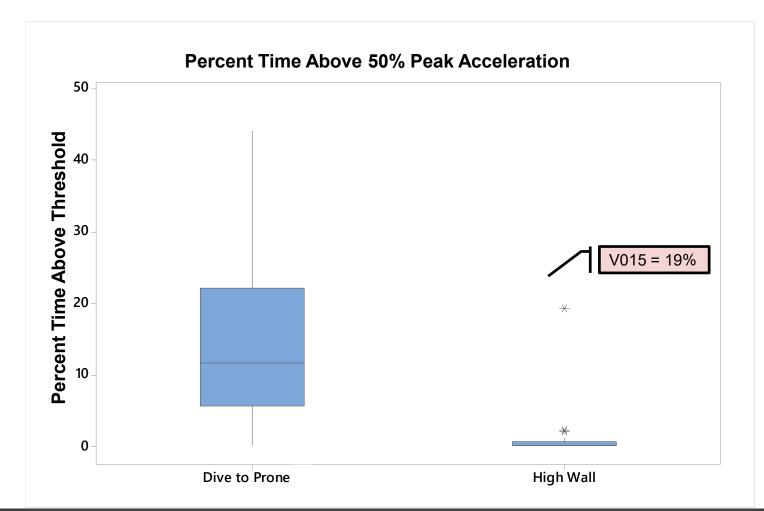
- X axis 0.1 to 3.0G; average = 1.1G
- Y axis 0.1 to 0.9G; average = 0.5G
- Z axis 1.9 to 9.8G; average = 5.2G
- Resultant 1.9 to 9.9G; average = 5.4G



# Duration Above 50% Max Head Resultant Acceleration

- Significant difference between obstacles for average duration of head resultant acceleration (Ar)
  - Dive to prone
    - 14% of total obstacle time
  - High wall
    - 1.4% of total obstacle time with
    - Drops to 0.5% when outlier (V015) removed

Technique matters

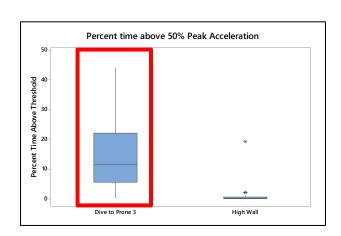




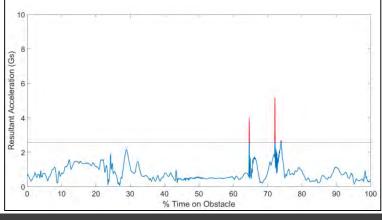
### Duration Above 50% Max Head Resultant Acceleration:



### **Dive to Prone**





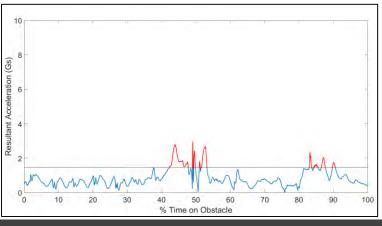


#### Subject 019

- Max Head Ar 5.2G
- Duration above 50% Max Head Ar – 0.3%

#### Subject 013

- Max Head Ar 2.9G
- Duration above 50% Max Head Ar – 11.8%
- Time on Obstacle 8.19 sec Time on obstacle 6.44 sec



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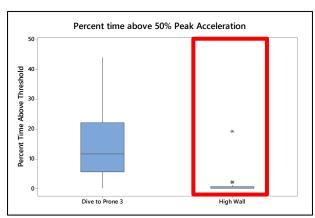




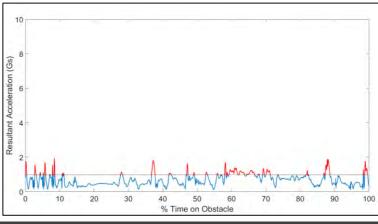
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### **High Wall**







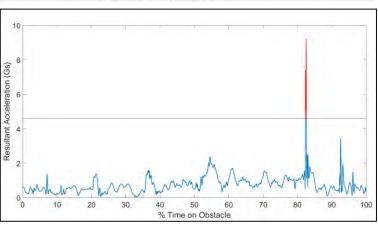
#### Subject 015

- Max Head Ar 1.9 G
- Duration above 50% Max Head Ar – 19.2%

#### Subject V023

- Max Head Ar 9.2G
- Duration above 50% Max Head Ar – 0.28%
- Time on obstacle 14.03 sec Time on obstacle 10.87 sec

All subjects provided written consent for use of identifiable pictures and video.





### **Discussion**

- Unique study to characterize head acceleration in a simulated dismounted operating environment
  - First use of the LEAP-A course for research instead of test and evaluation.
  - First effort to characterize the dismounted Soldier operating environment
- Resultant acceleration was low compared to previously studied environments (aviation or automotive crash), but frequency of exposure is greater.
  - Peaks were 3.5 times less than aviation crash, but higher than expected
  - Magnitude and duration varied greatly within obstacle and individual
- Study Limitations
  - Population experience TRADOC Soldiers with limited experience performing individual movement techniques
  - Usable data on 23/33 subjects volunteer dropout and instrumentation issues
  - Only analyzed 2 of the 12 obstacles data analysis for remaining obstacles is underway

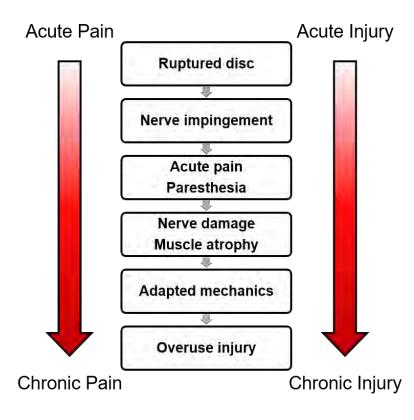
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### **Conclusions**

- High acceleration with short duration is an identified mechanism for acute injury. (Eiband, 1971; Gadd, 1971; and Yoganandan, 2014)
- Low to moderate acceleration with longer duration and/or greater frequency may contribute more to muscle fatigue and performance decrement.
- Designation of high, low, and moderate acceleration ranges is arbitrary and operating environment-dependent.
  - Aviation acceleration events (35 G crash) may result in AIS 3+ injuries:
    - Long-term loss of capability
    - Potentially career ending
  - Ground Soldier acceleration events (10 G landing off of a high wall) may result in AIS 2 injuries:
    - Short-term loss of capability
    - · Unlikely to be career ending
- Repeated exposures to both types of ground Soldier acceleration patterns characterized may compound the effects and lead to increased risk of:
  - Acute musculoskeletal injury: sprains or strains (muscles, ligaments, tendons)
  - Performance decrement: muscle fatigue and/or muscle pain/soreness
  - Chronic injury: intervertebral disc degeneration, vertebral stress fracture

#### Neck pain and injury

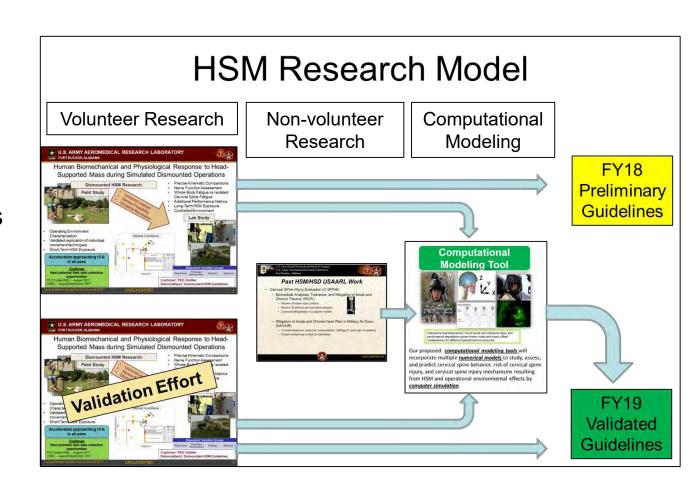


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### **Future Work**

- Complete characterization of simulated operating environment
  - Remaining LEAP-A obstacles
  - Remaining metrics kinematic, performance, physiologic/biomechanical, subjective
- Development of Dismounted HSM Guidelines
  - Mass/center of mass offset
  - Mass moment
  - Duration of wear
  - Operating environment or task specific





### **Questions?**

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### What is MakerMinded?

Through a web-based competition and campaign platform, MakerMinded is connecting students to *the* leading-edge manufacturing and STEM learning experiences and opening their minds to careers in manufacturing.

- 1. Activating Schools: students sign-up at no cost and gain access to a curated portfolio of national and local STEM and manufacturing learning experiences.
- 2. Inspiring Students: students select activities to complete throughout the school year—inside or outside of the classroom. Activities include a range of career awareness experiences, formal educational resources and project or competition-based learning programs.
- 3. Showcasing Students and Schools: students submit updates for the activities they complete and their progress is documented and showcased in real-time through social media channels.
- 4. Celebrating Student Success: schools receive points for the activities their students complete, competing against other schools. Points and activities are tracked in real-time and success is celebrated at year-end awards event.

# Sample Activities from Digital Portfolio



Barnes & Noble Mini Maker Faire (November 5 & 6) MIDDLE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL, SOLO



Learning Blade MIDDLE SCHOOL, CLASSROOM



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(Solo) LIFT Simulation MIDDLE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL, SOLO



Manufacturing Day MIDDLE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL, CLASSROOM



Destination Imagination Tennessee MIDDLE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL, TEAM



FIRST Robotics Competition HIGH SCHOOL, TEAM



Science Olympiad MIDDLE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL, TEAM



SkillsUSA MIDDLE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL, TEAM



Nissan Factory Tour (Smyrna, TN) MIDDLE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL, SCHOOLWIDE



Trash Sliders MIDDLE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL, CLASSROOM



The Future City Competition MIDDLE SCHOOL, TEAM



FIRST LEGO League MIDDLE SCHOOL, TEAM



MATHCOUNTS Video Challenge MIDDLE SCHOOL, TEAM

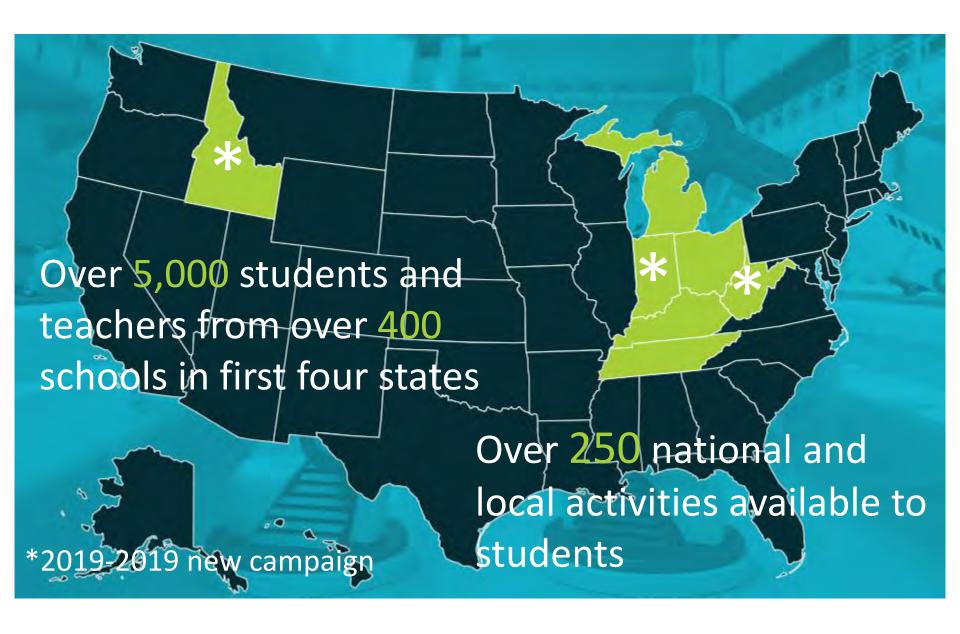


Gibson Guitar Tour MIDDLE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL, SCHOOLWIDE



Tennessee Science Bowl HIGH SCHOOL, TEAM

### Impact and Growth



## **Big Goals**

- Students and schools gain ACCESS to highquality learning opportunities in STEM and manufacturing
- Students gain TECHNICAL and NON-TECHNICAL EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS
- Campaigns build LEARNING ECOSYSTEMS by linking and leveraging disparate programs, activities and partners
- We create a PRO-MANUFACTURING mindset

# Why?

Why did lift design and implement MakerMinded? Why is it a ManufacturingUSA responsibility?

- To build and educated and skilled manufacturing workforce
- To strengthen and support the Defense Industrial Base

# Toward the Army's Science and Technology Career

Successful First Steps from the Army's Science and Engineering Apprenticeship Program for High School Students

> Justin Wang Chantilly High School, Virginia

# How I got here – my education

- Twelve years of publicschool education
- Currently a rising senior at Chantilly High School, Fairfax County, Virginia
- Applying for colleges!
- Most likely to study electrical engineering, applied physics or mechanical engineering







# How I got here – spring of 2017

- Are unexplainable lab results always due to "instrumentation error?"
- Is that the real lab experience?
- Wanted to know what STEM research is like in a real lab
- AEOP's Science and Engineering Apprenticeship Program (SEAP)
- Will they take me? I really don't have much to offer!





## A turning point – summer of 2017

- ARL and my mentor took me!
- Assignment: port Matlab-based shockand-vibration toolbox into Python
- Mentor taught me about basics of signal processing
- Solid 8 weeks of work wrestling with Python
- At the end of summer, started working on a sound-puzzle that mystified me for more than 8 years



#### Abstract

A Matlab-based toolbox for analyzing shock-and-vibration data is partially ported to a Python-based framework using Python 2.7 and highly vectorized SciPy libraries such as NumPy and MatPlotLib. Two major tasks were accomplished. First, twenty basic data analysis functions and two more complicated signal-processing functions have been implemented. Second, I accomplished the design and implementation of four "loader" functions to load data stored in four different file formats.

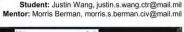
#### **Background**

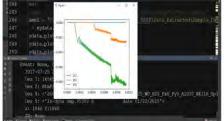
To improve the analysis of experimental shock-andvibration data, XYData -- a Matlab-based toolbox -- was developed to achieve three goals: 1) providing a common analysis framework for heterogeneous data sources generated by the shock-and-vibration community, 2) supporting tight coupling of measured data and its metadata, and 3) keeping track of what procedures have been applied to the data for future replication.



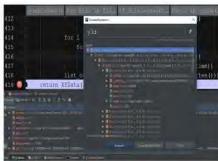
### Toolbox Development and Usage

In porting from Matlab to Python, I began with implementing basic data manipulation and analysis functions. Throughout the porting process, I had to rely heavily on the NumPy, MatPlotLib and SciPy libraries which are highly vectorized and can perform computations on large data efficiently. Furthermore, I have figured out how to make a "deepcopy" of an XYData object which can serve as the pristine version of the original data while the loaded data undergo a variety of transformations.





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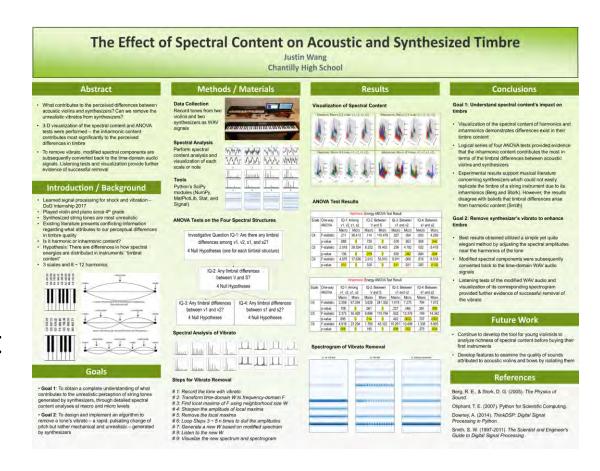


#### Discussion/Path Forward

With the short eight weeks of my internship, I realize that there will be some aspects of the toolbox that I might not be able to implement, such as the GUI. In addition to the four implemented loader functions, the toolbox would benefit from the addition of more loader functions as well as more signal-processing capabilities. I would like to thank my mentor, Mr. Berman, for the instruction that he has provided in helping me with this project.

# Many pleasant surprises – my junior year

- Won grand prize at Northern VA
   Science Fair → Intel ISEF finalist
- Won 1<sup>st</sup> place at Virginia State Junior Science and Humanities Symposium (JSHS)
- Won 2<sup>nd</sup> place (physics category) at National JSHS
- Army S & T Symposium invited me to share my journey of science exploration (education outreach)

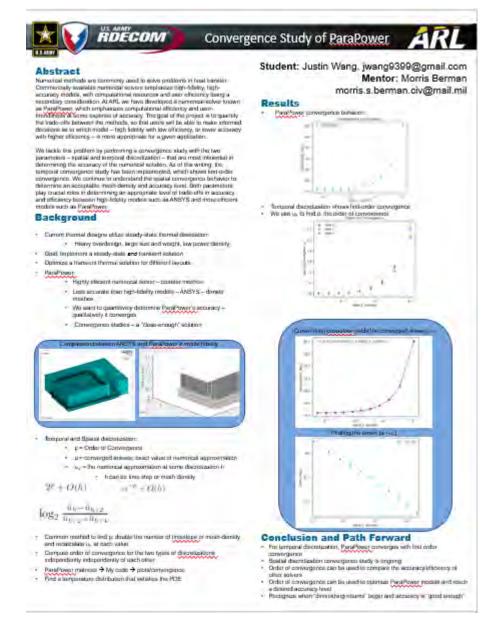






# Back to ARL again – summer of 2018

- Concerned about congressional budget; glad to be back
- Worked on a project developing a selfcooling chip
- Used last summer's shock-and-vibration toolbox efforts to simplify data handling this summer
- My contribution: convergence study of heat transfer from temporal and spatial perspectives
- Have learned tremendously, again



# Reflection – 16 weeks of internship at ARL

- No better way to spend the two summers
  - Sense of responsibility
  - Use of public transportation!
  - Improve my technical skills
  - Meet other like-minded high schoolers, undergraduates, and graduate students
  - Clear my doubt regarding "instrumentation error"
  - Meaningfully contributed to my mentor's project
- Solidify my selection of an engineering career
  - Engineering physics or electrical engineering



# Reflection – 16 weeks of internship at ARL

- Remove any doubt whether math and physics are essential
  - See how they are used in a real lab
  - Use of instrumentation
  - Math modeling & model comparison
  - Heat transfer and phase change materials
  - Data processing and programming
  - Use of HPC systems HPCMP ORS
- I really like the staff at ARL
  - They treated me like I am one of them
  - Hope to come back to intern for four more summers while in college



# Reflection – DoD-sponsored JSHS competitions

- Competition format encourages communication
  - Written & oral
  - Judges are college professors or experts in the judging field
- Competition categories
  - Environmental, biomedical, life, medicine, engineering, math & computer, physics, chemistry
- Great to see so many like-minded future scientists
- Speakers and panelists for the National JSHS were fantastic
- Toured many DoD facilities





## Where can I go from here – back to school

- None of the above could be possible without
  - AEOP: SEAP & JSHS & ARL
  - Time and energy my mentor spent on me
  - ARL colleagues' open arms & great projects
  - Countless people from ARL and AEOP
- 8-week is really too short
  - Getting momentum to contribute around week 6
  - Almost time to wrap up!
  - But I have not finished the assignment yet
  - May I stay a bit longer?







# Extending beyond an 8-week apprenticeship

- Recalled past conversations with students who participated in science competitions
  - I explored a very simple idea of my own
  - Many other students continue investigations from larger projects originated from government or university research labs
- Is it possible to extend duration of the internship beyond summer?
  - Benefit of the mentor's project and the apprentice
  - Guest researcher?

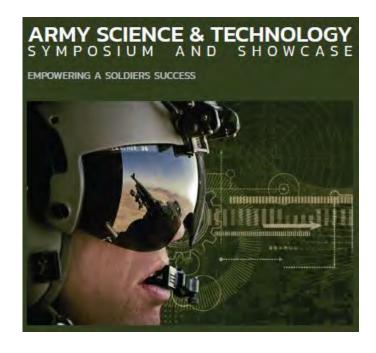


## Parting words

- SEAP and JSHS opened my eyes to the world of STEM lab career
- ARL has changed my future prospect
- Grateful for my ARL mentor-and-colleagues' guidance and support
- Hope to participate in 2019 DoD-JSHS competition
- Look forward to coming back to ARL for college internships:
  - DoD's SMART Scholarship for Service Program
  - AEOP's URAP
  - AEOP's CQL
- I plan to be back to present a technical topic at a future Army S & T Symposium & Showcase!









# Warrior Performance Platform for U.S. Navy

Leveraging Best-of-Breed Human Performance Tracking and Analytics Technology To Enhance Navy's Physical Fitness, Wellness, and Nutrition Capabilities





## **Partners In Human Performance**



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## **WP2 Overview**



Human performance tracking and analytics to enhance physical fitness, wellness, and nutrition capabilities. WP2 platform monitors Warriors throughout the readiness cycle, informing key command decision makers to support mission and training adjustments. Holistic evaluations can be tailored to reflect each command's unique requirements. Provides the ability to uncover trends, develop insights, reduce risk, and customize training programs. Leaders measure human performance based on preparation, physical fitness, strength and capabilities. Facilitating individualized training and readiness.

#### **Advancing Proactive Human Performance Management**

- Amplifies effectiveness and advances in human-performance
- Delivers the information at the right time to the right person
- Enhances military readiness and performance
- Promotes improved performance through real-time individual assessments
- "Just in Time"..."Ready to Perform" decisions
- Secure, accreditation-ready platform

#### **Speed of Information**

- Advanced analytic capabilities
- Centralized data
- Centralized management
- Centralized workflow features
- Customized dashboards
- Increase accountability
- Secure, accreditation-ready platform
- Rapidly discover and locate outliers

#### **Informs Performance Decision-Making**

Immediate and long-term data for "ready to perform" decisions

#### **Precision vs. Subjective Assessment**

 Assesses key performance indicators of entire units and each individual warrior's capability to advance mission

### Benefits

#### **Benefits**

- Warriors are operationally ready
- Take immediate action
- Store fitness tests, medical information, performance analysis, profiles, testing, training programs and training
- Reduce stress-related injuries

- Manage injuries
- Keep warriors at their best
- Enables customize training programs
- Determine risk factors
- Curtail chronic/overuse
- Centralized Repository
- Automate Reporting

Measures of READINESS





#### **Non-Combat Injuries Reduce Readiness**

- Physical Training and sports-related activities account for 90% of musculoskeletal injuries (MKSI)
- MKSI accounted for 2.4 million visits to military medical treatment facilities and \$548m in direct patient care costs
- Traumatic overload and overuse in lower body accounted for 4.8 million of the 11 million annual limited duty days related to injury
- 80% of MKSI are considered overuse in nature
- Majority of MKSI in the deployed setting are non-battle related
- 34% of deployed troops experience non-combat MKSI

(Source: American College of Sports Medicine, Vol 13, No 1. Jan/Feb 2014, Consortium for Health and Military Performance and American College of Sports Medicine Summit)

#### **Large Population of Non-Deployable Soldiers**

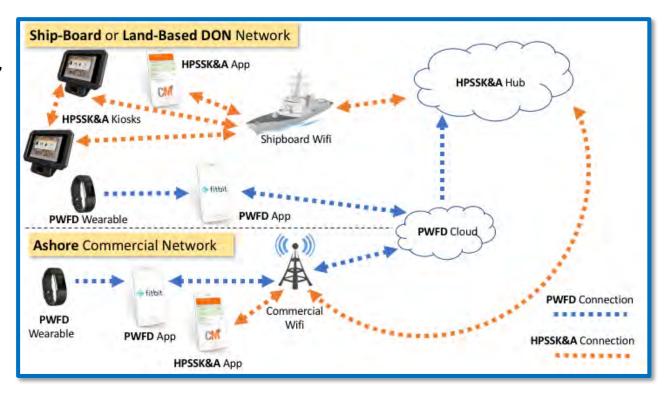
- As of late 2015, Army Active component had 50,000 nondeployable Soldiers
- Represents ~10% of total active force
- "Having 50,000 non-deployable active soldiers is comparable to three of the Army's 10 active combat divisions"
- Roughly 37,000 of the 50,000 non-deployable soldiers are unavailable for medical reasons

(Source: "Army Has 50,000 Active Soldiers Who Can't Deploy, Top NCO Says", Miltary.com, 11/15/15)

The Army estimates \$4 billion is spent each year due to injuries, non-deployable Soldiers, accidents and other health-related costs.

### **Human Performance Self-Service Kiosk & Application**

- Human Performance Self-Service Kiosk and Application, (SBIR N171-079), sponsored by the US Naval Supply Systems Command
- Builds upon core WP2 functionality, but adds:
  - Nutrition
  - Ruggedized Touchscreen Kiosk
  - Support for Austere Environments
  - Shipboard Integration
  - Data Source Integrations (Naval Operational Fuel and Fitness System, MyPlate and Go for Green)



- Supports app-based access from personal mobile devices, as well as data integration from select wearables
- Completed Phase I, down selected for Phase II. Kickoff in August 2018.

# **Challenges and Way Forward**

### **Challenges**

- Cybersecurity Considerations
  - Cloud hosting/SaaS model
  - Personally Identifiable Information
  - Protected Health Information
  - Reciprocity between organizations
- Synchronization in Auster Environments
  - Shipboard
  - Theater
- Adoption/Buy-In

#### **Future State**

- Advanced Analytics / Machine Learning
  - Predictive vs. Reactive
- Mental/Behavior Health Applications
  - Post-traumatic Stress Disorder
     (PTSD) Event Detection
  - Traumatic Brain Injury Assessments
- External Integrations with Systems of Record





### Value Proposition For The Military Community

In America's fight against terrorist groups and ongoing threats to national security, the Military is deployed to 70% of the world's countries. Enhancing the intensive training and fitness of these warriors, now there's a technology to help ensure their endurance and survival.

Continually evaluating, adjusting and optimizing military training, performance and readiness directly correlates with . . .

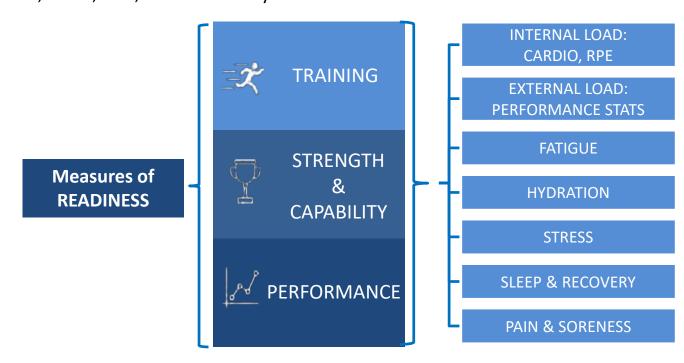


ensuring the strength, endurance and survival of military units in the fight against threats to America's security.

### Leveraging Applied Science and Technology

#### Advancing proactive performance management from training through deployment, WP2:

- Is powered by applied science and next generation human performance analytics
- Leverages the technology of 60+ wireless, wearable devices, integrates all data into one centralized platform for enhanced overall warrior analysis
- Fuses tiag's expertise in data analytics, telemedicine and cutting-edge health IT solutions
- Incorporates decades of lessons learned in military communities and professional sports arenas
- Integrates the CoachMePlus performance-optimization solution used by major teams across the NFL, NHL, MLB, NBA, NCAA, MLS, CFL and military



### **Centralized Management of Data**

### High-Performance Data for enhanced military readiness



#### **Speed of Information**

- Centralized location for performance data, all in one place
- Enterprise application includes front office, warrior profiles, reporting, permissions and security features
- Centralized workflow features warrior app, unit access point and additional workflows
- Individual, customized dashboards and advanced analytic capabilities to meet specific command needs

#### **Informs Performance Decision-Making**

 Immediate and long-term data for "ready to perform" decisions

#### **Precision vs. Subjective Assessment**

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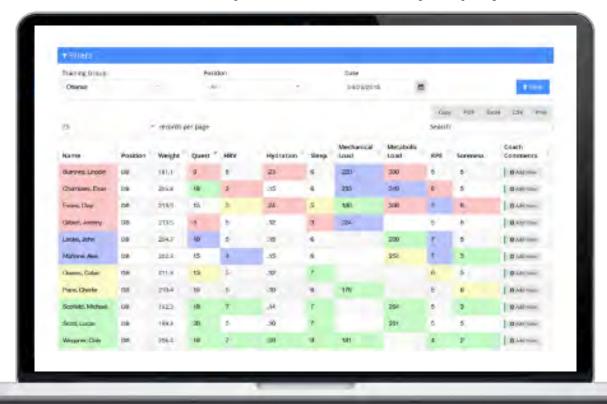
### **Individual Dashboards**

### SPEED OF INFORMATION— creating a "performance gestalt"



### **Unit Reports**

SPEED OF INFORMATION— just-in-time, "ready to perform" decisions

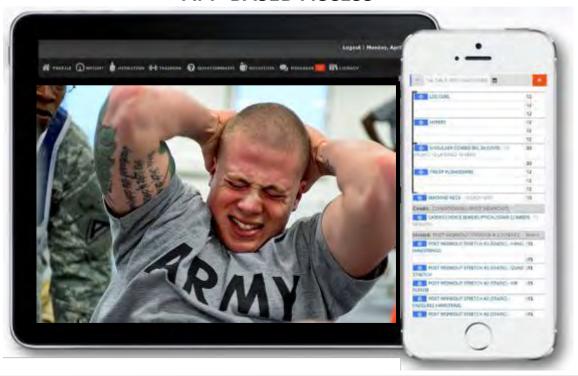


"It allows you to stay ahead of the curve and be smarter in your decision making, which allows you to keep your players healthier and train them harder."

-Director of Olympic Sports Strength and Conditioning, Clemson University

### **Individual Insights**

#### APP-BASED ACCESS



#### Promotes improved performance through real-time individual assessments

- Evaluates all objective and subjective warrior information
- Records all testing, resistance training and joint ROM data in one location
- Shares individual performance information back to the warrior as an educational tool
- Prevents mission injuries through increased understanding of individual metrics
- Motivates warriors with improved insights into their own performance statistics
- Highlights required adjustments from improved hydration to increased recovery time

### **Unit Access Point**

#### CENTRALIZED WORKFLOW



"If you choose to integrate technology into your strength and conditioning program, you can benefit from the ability to assign and track workouts and monitor hundreds of [individuals] as well as update training programs throughout ... using phones, tablets, etc."

-Head Strength Coach, National Strength and Conditioning Association

### **Amplifying Training Effectiveness**

#### Significantly enhances military readiness and performance

- Focuses analysis and insights on human performance metrics most applicable to the DoD
- Monitors key indicators of warrior fitness, health and capability, maximizing real-time and historical data within one centralized system
- Enables leadership and instructors to customize training programs that push warriors to top performance, while curtailing chronic/overuse and stress-related injuries

#### Amplifies effectiveness and advances in humanperformance research

- Delivers capability to uncover trends, develop actionable insights, reduce risk and prevent negative outcomes
- Provides holistic evaluations tailored to reflect each command's unique requirements

### Delivers the right Information at the right time to the right person

- Empowers leadership to continually evaluate, adjust and optimize training, performance and readiness of deploying units
- Informs key command decision makers to support mission and training adjustments



**Accreditation ready** 

Robust security and permissions management system for units and individuals

Provides secure, 24/7 information access

All information is encrypted in transit and at rest

### **Maximizing Mission Readiness**



### Seamlessly integrates wearable data with applicable information

- Aligns medical and human performance staffs
- HRV and hydration data reflected on the same page
- Includes manual measurements such as girth measurements and caliper pinch testing

### Allows instructors to adjust exercise programs and assign back to warriors

- Includes exercise types, videos and measurable metrics
- Tracking automatically updated as warriors enter info when completing exercises and programs
- Provides ability to communicate with individuals or units publicly or privately

### Provides cross-data reporting that other systems cannot

- Precision Performance builds tests for the unit, replacing difficult-to-share spreadsheets
- Allows analysis at individual level and also against unit-wide performance standards
- Import data from across multiple commands to provide leadership with overall readiness synopsis
- Empowers leaders / instructors to spend more time with warriors and less time in spreadsheets

### **Cutting-edge Expertise**



# tiag brings a history of transformational leadership advancing military medical science and telehealth technology

- Leads web application efforts at DoD's National Center for Telehealth &Technology (T2)
- Delivers cutting-edge health IT solutions (e.g., VA's opensource EHR)
- Developed the Army's Research Management Enterprise System, providing autonomous big data management across numerous laboratories

## Delivering end-to-end individual training and readiness solutions for DoD, WP2 leverages tiag's demonstrated military experience and technical expertise

- Quick, all-in-one-place information access empowers leaders to determine risk factors and take immediate action
- Warriors are operationally ready and less likely to sustain injuries that keep them out of the fight







# U.S. ARMY RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND ENGINEERING COMMAND

Biophysics Based Measuring & Modeling of Social Dynamics

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Army Research Office/Army Research Laboratory





### Why Army Research on Social Dynamics?



- Conflict is costly in terms of lives, resources, future opportunities, optics
  - Conflict is an inherently social problem
- DoD is first-responder in humanitarian crises, with little advanced warning about where those crises will occur cultural, normative, political, economic context
- Increasing evidence of severe potential of non-kinetic threats:
  - Adversarial disruption of: Economic, Political, Religious, Cyber, Health
- Social systems reflect complex, multilevel, multiplex interdependencies
  - We need to think "from (deep within) cells-to-societies"
  - We need to think about interfaces among physical, natural & social systems



#### From Cells to Societies



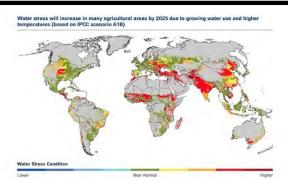


#### **Potential Army Payoff of Social Science**

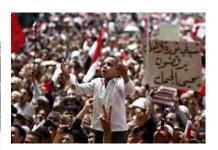
- What if the Army could...
  - Determine the next region of sociopolitical instability (and the one after that...)?
  - Predict where, when, why, how the next violent extremist group will emerge?
  - Advance security by managing threats to social systems arising from disturbances in natural and physical environments?
- Addresses Army Modernization Priorities
  - Soldier Lethality esp. Situational Awareness
- Addresses National Defense Strategy
  - Countering Coercion & Subversion, Enhance C4ISR Capabilities, Advance Overmatch in Global Operations

#### Army Leadership in Basic Social Science Research















### Why Social Science is Hard (Not Soft)

- For every outcome there is an "intuitive" explanation
  - Once you explain, it all makes sense but there are multiple explanations that make sense
- Social science is hard because most social phenomena:
  - Are emergent from interface of shifting social, physical, and natural dynamics,
  - Which occur over large spatial and temporal dimensions
    - Change in different spaces, different points in time impacts others with enormous cascading effects
    - Are difficult to investigate in controlled settings,
  - Are challenging to measure at collective levels







But... Advances Across DoD Are Generating Promise

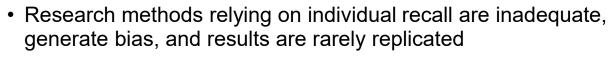


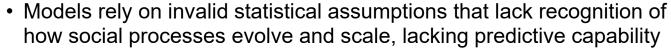


#### **How Army Is Approaching Social Science**



- Social Dynamics Underlying Social Conflict Are Not Accurately Modeled;
   Validated Basic Scientific Theory Is Lacking
- Current state-of-the-art research on social collectives is insufficient:
  - Depends on aggregation of individual behaviors, which generates erroneous predictions
  - Does not account for relational impact of actors and groups on one another or impact of natural and physical (built) environments on social collectives





 Peer-reviewed research is seldom validated, replicated, or reproduced to establish confidence in existing tools/knowledge

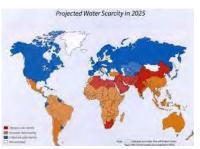


Emergence of Large-Scale Social Conflict Is <u>NOT</u> a Function of Simple Aggregation of Individual Human Behavior









#### **How Army is Approaching Social Science**

- Impacts of Changes among Natural, Physical (Built), and Social Systems over Time, Space, and Levels of Analyses are Difficult to Measure
  - Building integrated validated data archives that measure interdependencies among natural, physical, and social
  - Developing measures of social conflict to account for interdependencies among social collectives, natural environments, and physical infrastructures
  - Addressing gaps in knowledge of spatial and temporal causeeffects across social, natural, and physical systems
  - Improving standards for assessing integrity (e.g., reliability, validity) of measures of social dynamics

Water Scarcity Models - 2025



ISIL damns prevent access to Euphrates to exert control over civilians



Impact of Changes in Natural & Physical Systems on Social Dynamics is Neglected

Non-state adversarial groups seize mineral resources in fragile states with local support in resource-stressed environments

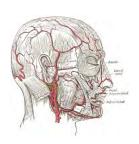
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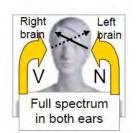
### **Success Stories: New Approaches to Sensing Social Dynamics through Objective Measures – Micro Sensors**

- Advances in biophysiological measures & models of human SOCIAL dynamics
  - Vocal spectrum, thermography, brain imaging, pupilometry
    - Document: <u>Social</u> influence, diffusion of emotion in a collective, propensity for conformity, in-group empathy
  - Epigenetic predictors of social behavior
    - Genetic bases for aggression triggered by <u>social</u> conditions
- Basic scientific evidence that social dynamics are embodied in physiological and biological processes

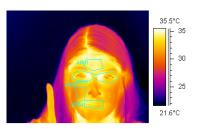


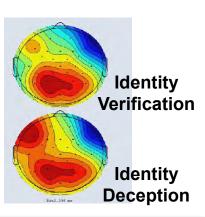
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New Sensing Technologies to Link Individual to Collective Dynamics

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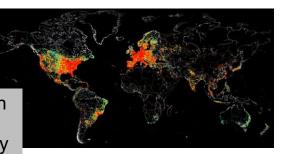


Success Stories: New Approaches to Sensing Social Dynamics through Objective Measures – Macro Sensors

- Investment how macro sensing approaches enable tracking of shifts in large-scale collective behavior
  - · Utility use
  - Geo-mapping of resource changes
  - Satellite imaging of correlates of social activity
  - Computer visioning to track social clustering
  - Internet & cellular loads to identify activity shifts

 Develop integrated archives from macro sensor data to facilitate development of measurement & analytic research

Tracking population activity through Internet connectivity



Satellite tracking of population movement to enable new models of migration



Computer visioning to track crowd dynamics – identifying cliques and hostile collectives

New Sensing Technologies Create Opportunities to Develop Measures of Population Dynamics

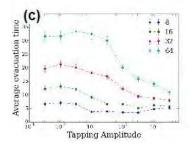
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### Modeling effects of sensory inputs on crowd behavior

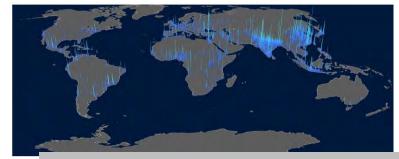


### MEASURING & MODELING SOCIAL DYNAMICS

### Success Stories: New Approaches to Modeling Collective Dynamics & Complex Systems

- Investments in research to develop complex systems models extending research on macro-sensing to develop new predictive theories of social dynamics
  - Macro-models of real-time population ecologies based on geo-spatial sensing
  - Development and validation of swarming, flocking, herding models inspired by physics & biology
  - Predictive models of social dynamics drawing on epidemiology (e.g., mortality modeling of large-scale threatening events)
  - Value-chain models to identify resource interdependencies across time and space

Enabling New
Models to
Predict
Emergence of
Social Conflict



Visualization models of expansion of built up areas of earth over last 40 years







### **Ongoing Challenges**

- Development of social science theory, measurement, modeling
- Data management (when is too much, too much?)
  - Make it manageable for the operators/analysts/decision leaders
- Knowledge vs. Tools
  - Transition is EXCEPTIONALLY difficult to track & measure in social science mostly in the form of knowledge about how social systems operate
  - · Tools come with risk of oversimplification, user bias
- Improving the Pipeline
  - Training next-generation of defense social scientists
    - "All-hands" approach improve involvement of underrepresented groups
  - Enhancing multidisciplinary team approaches to social science
  - Enabling global science through support of international collaborations

Human Groups Are NOT Out of the Loop: Designers, Operators, Interpreters, Decision-Makers







### U.S. ARMY RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND ENGINEERING COMMAND

Biophysics Based Measuring & Modeling of Social Dynamics

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### U.S. ARMY RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND ENGINEERING COMMAND

Building a foundation for MUMT

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### **BUILDING A FOUNDATION FOR MUMT**

#### Logistic Resupply

#### **Autonomous Ground Resupply**



Develop and demonstrate an improved and optimized distribution system that integrates new & emerging technologies across the full spectrum of operational and tactical supply movement operations.

#### <u>Expedient Leader Followe</u>

Rapidly delivery and issue 70 leader follower enabled PLSs to Soldiers for a one year Operational Technical Demonstration (OTD) starting 4QFY19.



#### **Robotic Combat Vehicles**

#### **Combat Vehicle Robotics**



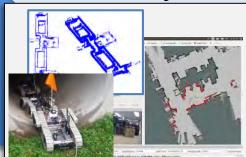
Develop/integrate technologies that enable scalable integration of multidomain robotic and autonomous system capabilities teamed within Army formations supporting all combat warfighting functions.

#### Future Manned / Unmanned Teaming Formations



Built on Open Autonomy Architecture (AGVRA)

### Small Robotics for Urban / Subterranean



Development of capabilities to support urban and underground operations such as unmanned complex tunnel investigation, CBRNE missions and reconnaissance.









### **CAPABILITY TO SOLDIERS SOONER**

Autonomy Architecture enables getting hardware into Soldier's hands with incremental software capability improvements over time.

### **Logistic Resupply**

#### **Expedient Leader Follower**



Issue two companies (60 PLS Trucks) with Leader Follower capability to soldiers for 12 month operational evaluation.

#### 4QFY19

### Increment I Baseline Architecture Design & Build

- √ Modes (Leader Follower, Teleop)
- ✓ Assembly (Manual Line Up Vehicles)
- √ Formations (Column)
- ✓ Reverse (Teleoperation and Manned)
- ✓ GPS Denied (LOS to Leader)
- ✓ Turnaround (Vehicle K Turn)
- ✓ Obstacles (Static & Large Dynamic)
- ✓ Dynamic Rerouting (None)
- √ AO (Primary & Secondary Roads)
- ✓ Operations (Day and Night Driving)
- Weather (Light Rain/Snow/Fog)
- ✓ Safe Harbor (Stop)

#### 3QFY20

#### Increment II Additional Autonomous Behaviors

- Modes (Augmented TeleOp, Waypoint)
- Assembly (Drive Past and Assemble)
- Formations (Inverted T)
- · Trailers (Forward)
- · Reverse (Retrotraverse)
- ✓ GPS Denied (Comms to Leader)
- Turnaround (U Turn)
- Obstacles (Negative)
- Dynamic Rerouting (Static Vehicle)
- AO (Open & Rolling Terrain)
- Operations (Black Out)
- · Weather (Moderate Rain/Snow/Fog)
- Safe Harbor (Pull Over)

#### *3QFY22*

### Increment III Advanced Convoy Behaviors

- Modes (Augmented Waypoint)
- Assembly (Line Up in Depot)
- · Formations (Staggered Column)
- Trailers (Forward & Reverse)
- Reverse (Retrotraverse)
- GPS Denied (Know AO)
- Turnaround (U Turn with Obstacles)
- Obstacles (Small Dynamic)
- Dynamic Rerouting (Moving Vehicle)
- AO (Trails)
- Operations (PLS OMS/MP)
- Weather (Heavy Rain/Snow/Fog)
- Safe Harbor (Limited path)

#### Army does not have to re-buy autonomous similar capability for different platforms



**AGVRA** 







20+ Other Platforms Demonstrated

Baseline capability will be built on for more complex tactical, weaponized systems



Combat Vehicle Robotics (CoVeR)
program will advance autonomous
behaviors to enable mounted Manned
Unmanned Teaming

#### **Robotic Combat Vehicles**

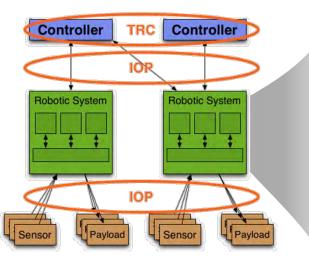




### OPEN MODULAR GROUND VEHICLE **AUTONOMY**

Autonomous Ground Vehicle Reference Architecture (AGVRA) - Set of guidelines to enable the robotics community to fulfill the Army's Robotic and Autonomous System (RAS) commonality objectives by establishing an affordable means to deliver advanced capability to the Warfighter by utilizing architectural best practices and standards.

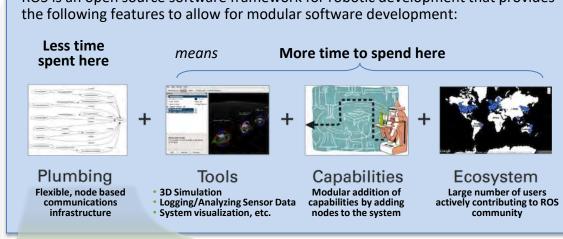
#### **Key standards for unmanned systems**



Interoperability Profile (IOP) defines software massaging & hardware interfaces between major subsystems of unmanned ground systems utilizing existing standards

#### **Autonomy Software Framework (ROS-M)**

ROS is an open source software framework for robotic development that provides



#### **Ground Vehicle Robotics (GVR) Modular Software Approach (MSA)**

- Defined modular autonomy software architecture for Army ground autonomous systems
- Success of this approach relies on strong government and industry collaboration developing interface standards at the appropriate level between applications.
- Library of GPR autonomy software (ITAR compliant) provided to industry through software distribution agreement (20+ outside entities have the software)
- Enabling competition at the software module level (prevents vendor lock, mitigates talent migration, enables gov't to capitalize on industry innovation)
- Common software framework/architecture to streamline test and evaluation process (Delta test for new capabilities rather than totally new system)
- Transition path for future capabilities such as AI / ML enabled autonomy







### U.S. ARMY RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND ENGINEERING COMMAND

Taking new concepts for systems design and control from neuroscience to accelerate innovation in artificial intelligence

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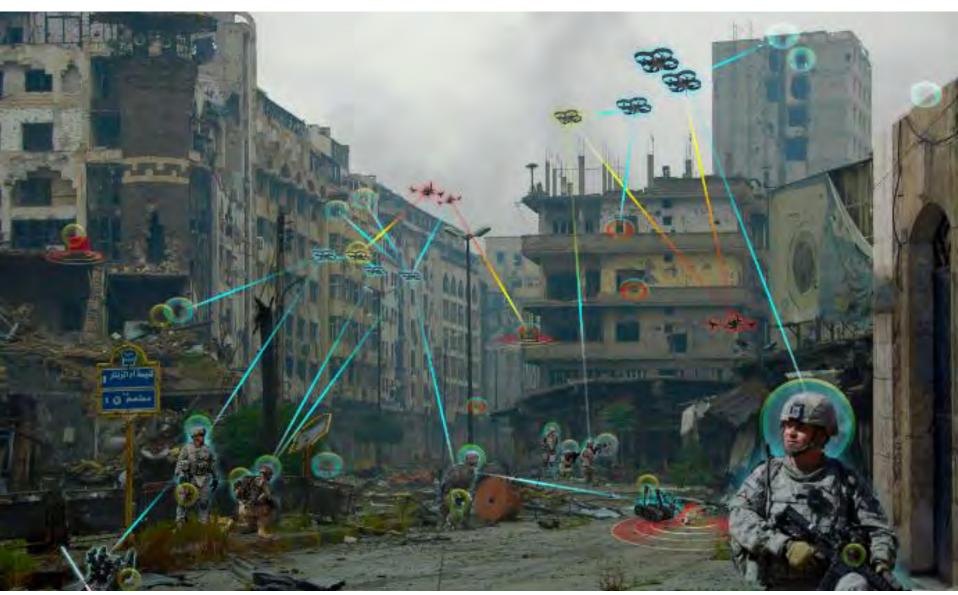
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### AL AND THE FUTURE BATTLE



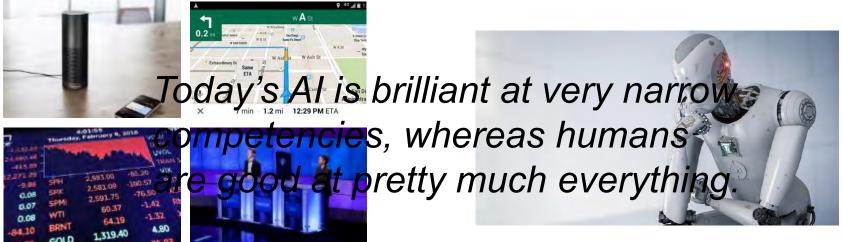




### AI IN THE CURRENT CONTEXT

### Artificial Narrow Intelligence (ANI)

Artificial General Intelligence (AGI)



Dr. Sean Holden, Cambridge

- clearly-defined, measurable tasks niversity (Dbhdetjinæd,6difficult-to-measure tasks
- performance uncertainty is tolerable
- standard approaches don't work
- LOTS of training data is accessible

- "human-like" performance is needed
- standard and ANI (?) approaches don't work
- Long experience may be necessary





### AI IN THE CURRENT CONTEXT

[N]arrow AI techniques, used to solve specific problems, will dominate AI application in the next 10 years, accounting for 99.5% of AI revenue between 2016 to 2025.

- Tractica (2016)



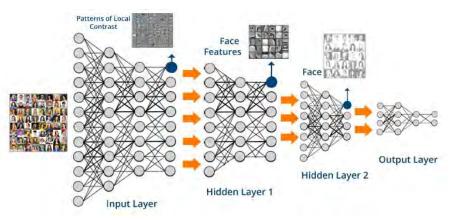


### **INSPIRED BY NEUROSCIENCE?**

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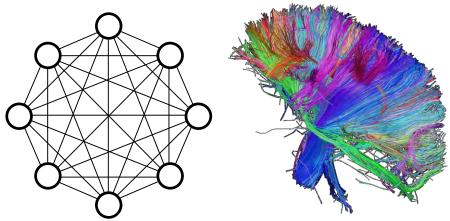






- Highly-simplified neurons
- Homogeneous neuron types

- Hierarchically organized
- Quiescent
- Highly connected

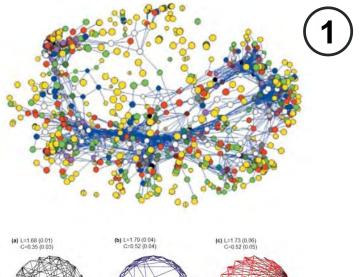




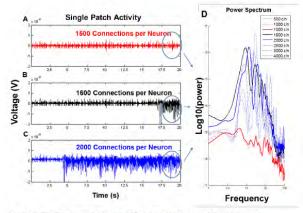


### **BECOMING MORE "BRAIN-LIKE"**

(see Crone et al. poster at this conference)



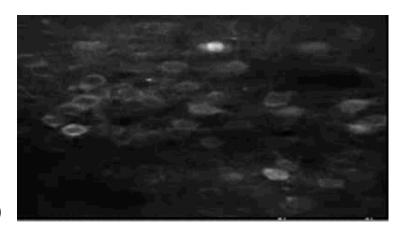
1 connectivity



A-C. Time series of simulated model local-field potentials with increasing average connectivity. D. Power spectro of last 2.5 s of simulated model local-field potentials.

2 dynamics

(see Felton et al. poster at this conference)









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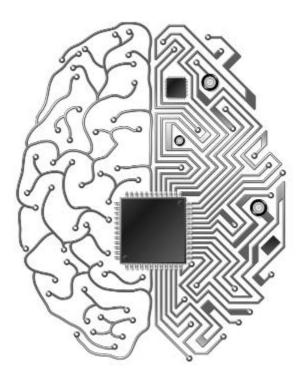




### **DISCUSSION**

1 connectivity

2 dynamics

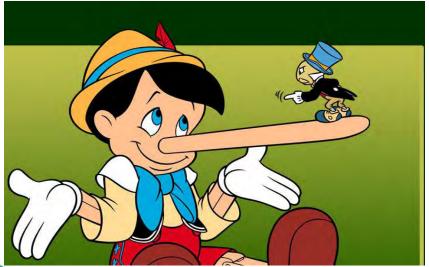


# HUMAN EMOTION RECOGNITION USING FUSED PHYSIOLOGICAL SIGNALS

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#### PHYSIOLOGICAL SIGNALS

Table 1. Physiological signal types from BP4D+\*.

Signal	Туре	Measurement
Blood pressure	Diastolic Systolic Mean (dia/sys) Raw BP	[-25, 300 mmHG]
Respiration	Rate Volts	[0, 200 breaths/min]
Heart rate	Pulse rate	[30, 300 beats/min]
EDA	EDA	Micro Siemens

#### PHYSIOLOGICAL SIGNALS

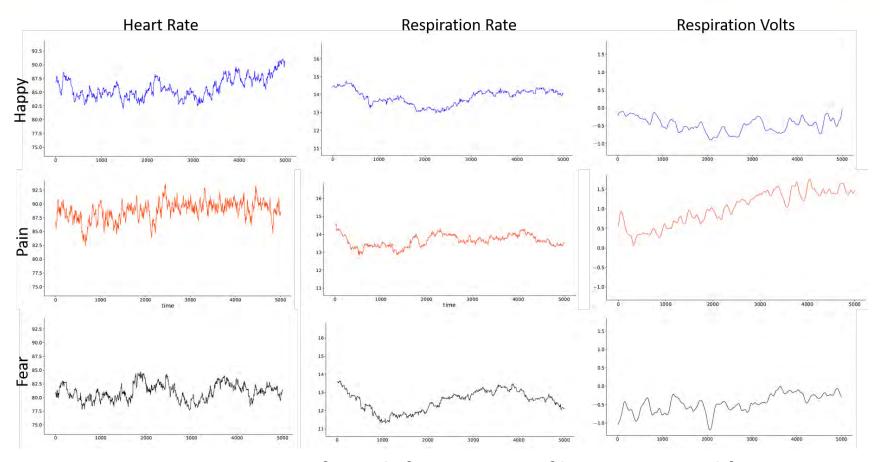


Figure 1. Comparison of signals for emotions of happy, pain, and fear.

## FUSION OF PHYSIOLOGICAL SIGNALS

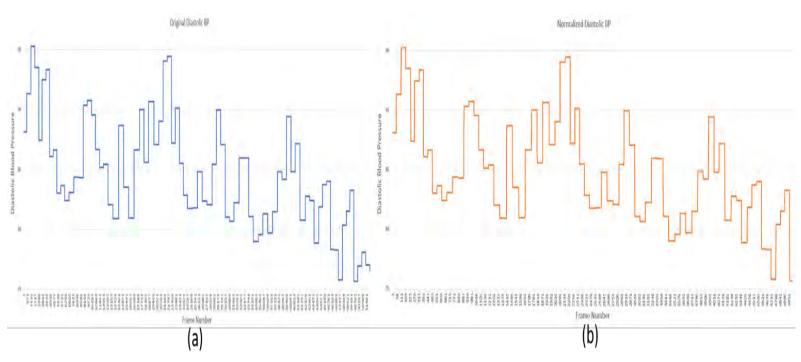


Figure 2. Diastolic blood pressure of female subject. (a) Original signal; (b) normalized signal.



### FUSION OF PHYSIOLOGICAL SIGNALS

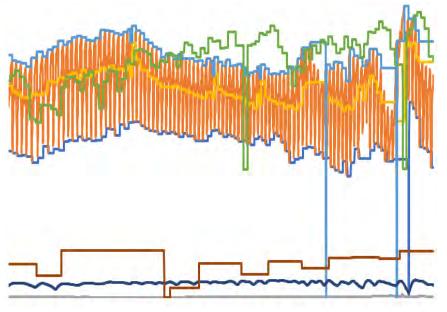


Figure 3. Physiological pain signals.

$$fused_{signal} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} (ns_i^2 \times FS_i) \quad (2)$$

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n - 1} \qquad (1)$$



Figure 4. Fused pain signal.

## EMOTION RECOGNITION WITH FUSED PHYSIOLOGICAL SIGNALS

Table 2. Recognition rates of 10 emotions.

Classifier	Accuracy
Support Vector Machine	88.69%
Naïve Bayes	86.87%
Random Forest	86.17%

Table 3. Recognition rates of pain vs. no pain.

Classifier	Accuracy
Support Vector Machine	92.64%
Random Forest	90.27%
Naïve Bayes	89.77%

Table 4. Prediction of 10 emotions.

Classifier	Accuracy
Random Forest	97.8%

## EMOTION RECOGNITION WITH FUSED PHYSIOLOGICAL SIGNALS

Table 5. Recognition of 10 emotions with a deep feed-forward network.

Emotion	Fused	Raw Accuracy	Raw Accuracy
	Accuracy	(Exp 1)	(Exp 2)
Anger	98.44%	81.67%	84.05%
Нарру	93.18%	71.96%	79.93%
Fear	92.70%	67.61%	79.84%
Embarrassment	92.08%	62.29%	84.19%
Startle	92.03%	74.85%	84.92%
Pain	91.37%	53.78%	84.23%
Sad	90.78%	49.09%	86.55%
Surprise	90.21%	63.42%	78.21%
Skeptical	90.00%	52.59%	79.93%
Disgust	85.14%	62.06%	75.72%
Average	91.59%	63.93%	81.16%

## EMOTION RECOGNITION WITH FUSED PHYSIOLOGICAL SIGNALS

Table 6. Deep networks vs classical approaches for pain vs no pain.

Classifier	Accuracy
Deep Net Fused	98.48%
Deep Net Exp 1	97.14%
Deep Net Ext 2	95.36%
Support Vector Machine	92.64%
Random Forest	90.27%
Naïve Bayes	89.77%

#### BEYOND PHYSIOLOGICAL DATA

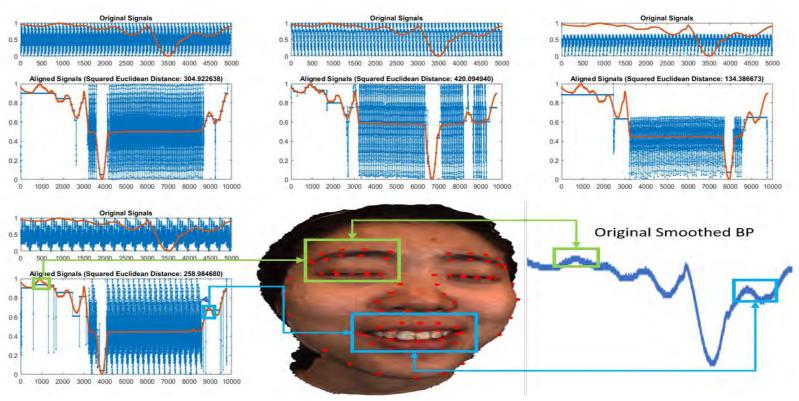


Figure 5. Inter-correlations between multiple modalities.



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Biologically-Inspired Processor for Ultra-Low Power Audio and Video Surveillance Applications

Presented by Lester Foster and Dirk Niggemeyer

#### Company EWA Government Systems Inc.



- Electronic Warfare Associates (EWA) Inc., was founded in 1977 to perform electronic warfare assessments for the US Government and transformed into a subsidiary EWA Government Systems Inc. in 2002.
- Our semiconductor development technology was developed in response to the challenge described in the Army SBIR topic no. A12-106, entitled "Bio-Inspired Semiconductor Technology."
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#### Problem/Opportunity



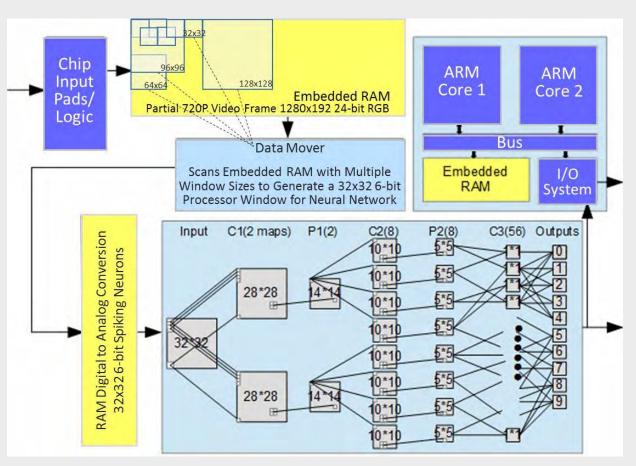
- Audio and video pattern recognition for surveillance applications
  - Classify sensor output to known patterns to identify content of interest.
  - Autonomous target classification and identification.
  - Useful with defense, security and law enforcement applications.
- Neural Network solutions successfully demonstrated pattern recognition
  - Employ processes similar to mammalian brain activities.
  - Implementation in software on standard processors requires substantial memory and power ("Brute Force" processing).
  - Excessive processor power required (10s of watts); not battery friendly.
  - Excessive training data required before networks can be deployed.
- Current processor technology utilizes transistors & Boolean binary logic
  - Reached the end of Moore's Law (IC performance doubling every 18 months).
  - New approaches are required to increase computer processing performance.
- Opportunity for new processors based upon neural networks

#### Technology

## Compact Artificial Neural Network (ANN) Integrated Circuit Processor Core

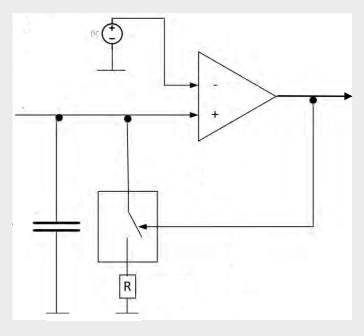
- Compact ANN topology capable of 2-D circuitry layout employing a 32x32 pixel processing tile
  - Processing tiles scan across entire image for image recognition.
  - Larger tiles can be downscaled into processing tile during image scanning.
  - Processing tiles scan audio spectral plots of overlapping short time increments.
- Memristors, a new electronic device, are used to program processor to correlate patterns.
- Integrated with conventional processors, e.g., ARM cores, for hybrid multicore processing.
- Potential to turn dumb cameras and audio collection sensors into smart low-power sensors.





Architecture of the ANN Processor as a separate core with video input pre-processor of a multi-core processor

#### **Key is Spiking Neuron**



- Spiking neuron transmits information across neural network similarly to mammalian brain
  - Upstream currents and pulses build charge and voltage on capacitor until threshold voltage is reached on transistor.
  - Transistor fires short pulse which also flips switch to dump capacitive voltage to ground and resets the neuron.
  - Higher frequency spiking rate implies brighter pixel in image processing on input layer.
- Convolutions in digital logic reduce to additions of spikes
  - Replacing convolutions with weighted additions drastically reduces the power consumption of the neural network.
- Energy within each spike is very small: femtojoules (10<sup>-15</sup>)
- We have patented the conversion of digital data into spiking analog signals for spiking neural processing
  - We are now optimizing the digital logic, e.g., data mover, to further reduce power consumption of the overall system.

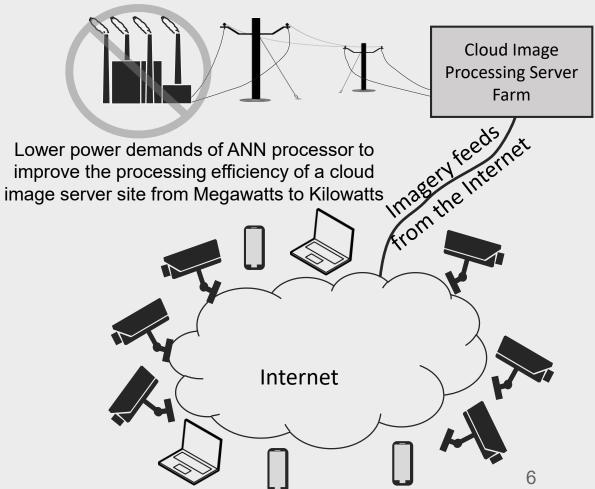
#### **Concepts for Use**



#### Smart Video Sensor Networking Applications



## Intelligence and Law Enforcement Applications



#### Results to Date

- Revolutionary ANN processor design
  - Two patents to cover unique features of design.
- Ultra low power pattern recognition processing
  - Image processing only requires tens of milliwatts to process imagery for objects of interest.
  - Most power is consumed in the input digital data conversion to analog spiking signals of neural processing.
  - Minimal power processing through network.
- Software application to train or "program" pattern recognition into ANN processor core
- Convert dumb sensors to smart sensors
  - Image processing at camera source eliminates imagery data overloads on networks.
  - Processing power negligible compared to sensor.
  - Lower comms bandwidth to relay only interesting data.
- Processor can be integrated in any platform from smartphones to video and audio collection processing servers





Images used to train the ANN to recognize AK-47 Rifles from random pictures off the internet

Performance: Probability of Detection at 90%

#### **Comparison to Conventional Processors**



EWA GSI's ANN Processor Solution	High End Conventional Technology Approach
Artificial Neural Network (ANN) Processor programmed with training application	Conventional multi-core processor with operating system and state-of-the-art Yolo-2 pattern recognition application
Fast processing of imagery, 1 microsecond to process 32x32 pixel image tile	Real-time processing requires significant processing power
Spiking neurons and network synapses	Neural network coded with conventional software
<33 milliwatts to process 720P HDMI video at 60 frames per second	10s of watts to process 720P HDMI video at 60 frames per second
Demonstrated 90% probability of detection for targeted items	Probability of detection was estimated at 78%

#### **ANN** Development Team



- ANN Processor Core Development Team Key Players:
  - Program Manager and Chief Technology Officer: Lester Foster PhD (EWA GSI)
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  - ANN Consultant and President: Elizabeth Rudnick PhD (Imaginic, Inc.)
  - Memristor Research Lead and Associate Professor: Nathaniel Cady PhD (University of Albany, SUNY)
- Our team is sufficient & complete to develop the revolutionary ANN processor to TRL 6

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## Implementing Emotions in Cognitive Robots

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#### Introduction



- ☐ Emotions and temperament help animals (including humans) survive
- ☐ Emotions are important memory triggers. Emotional events are remembered well
- ☐ Robots that vary their behavior based on their emotions should be more effective
- ☐ Although not addressed here, robots with emotions and temperament might be better at interacting with humans also





#### **Emotions vs. Temperament**



- ☐ Emotions vary with time due to reward and punishment
- Temperament (personality) is essentially fixed, but can vary across individuals
- The model presented herein couples <u>emotions</u> and <u>temperament</u> together into a cognitive architecture on a mobile robot using the Symbolic and Sub-symbolic Robotics Intelligence Control System (SS-RICS)





#### **Emotions Used in Simulations**



- ☐ Fear
- ☐ Anger
- Sadness
- Happiness
- □ Disgust
- ☐ Surprise

- All those shown in Plutchik color wheel
- Each can vary from 0 to 100
- Largest chosen (winner take all)

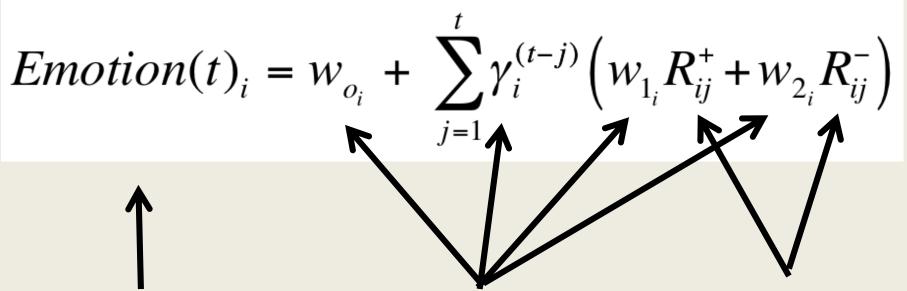
(could also model Trust, and others)





#### **Model Created for Emotions**





Eight emotions that vary with time

Fixed coefficients that define temperament

Rewards & Punishments

(Inspired by: Rutledge et al, PNAS 2014)

Note: There are similarities between cognitive models of memory

and the above equation





## Five main types of temperament in humans and other animals



# Often called the Big Five Temperaments (Digman, 1990):

- -Extrovert vs. Introvert
- -Neurotic vs. Rational
- -Conscientious vs. Careless
- -Agreeable vs. Disagreeable
- -Open vs. Reticent



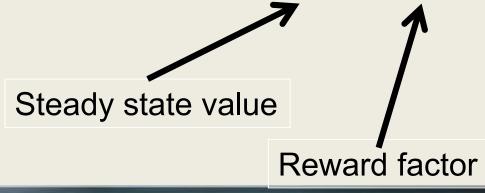


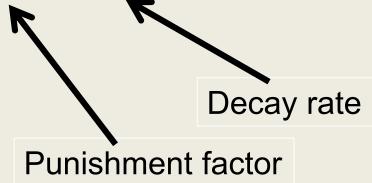
### Define a Temperament Matrix ARL

Fixed array of constants to define robot's personality, from emotion equations



Fear
Anger
Sadness
Happiness
Disgust
Surprise



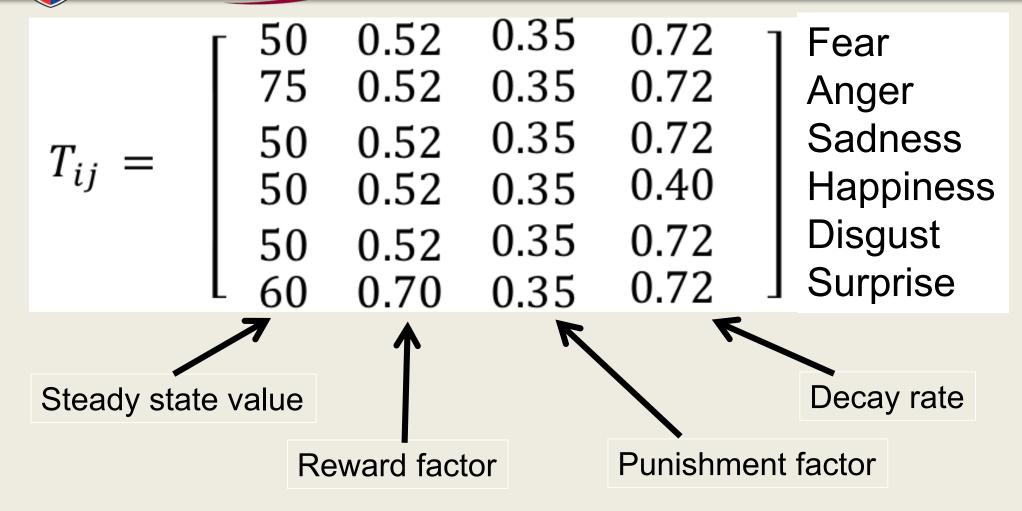






#### **Example Temperament Matrix**





These values, so far, have been chosen to be near the values in Rutledge et al, PNAS 2014.

More work needs to be done in tuning tehse parameters.





## RDECOM Cognitive Architecture Used ARL



☐ Symbolic and Sub-symbolic Robotic Intelligence Control System (SS-RICS) Developed at US Army Research Lab, Aberdeen, MD (Troy Kelley, Eric Avery, Sean McGhee, and others) ☐ Inspired by ACT-R (Carnegie Mellon) Lots of libraries for navigation, mapping, visual processing, sensors, and motor control Laser range finder, mono camera, stereo camera, wheel encoders, sonar sensors, stereo microphones, stereo speakers, ... ☐ Written mainly in C#





## Symbolic and Sub-symbolic Robotic Intelligence Control System (SS-RICS)



- Works with variety of robots (Mobile Robots Pioneer robots, the SRV-1 robot, the iRobot PackBot, and Clearpath's Husky A200)
- ☐ Easily moved to new ones













#### SS-RICS with Emotion & Temperament



The Emotion Engine is a sub-symbolic process (unconscious) within SS-RICS
Written in C++
Robot is given a temperament matrix to use (personality)
As robot roams around SS-RICS sends rewards or punishment info to the emotion engine
The emotion engine keeps track of these and uses the equations shown earlier to predict a numerical value of all emotions as functions of time
Emotion engine sends current values of emotions (and info on largest one) back to SS-RICS
Emotions are essentially state variables, so Productions can include info on emotions







# Results





#### **SS-RICS Simulation Results**



☐ Simulator is given map of the building with objects that spur emotions distributed around map ☐ It roams around the building searching for one object ☐ Robot speaks when it is near the objects ("I see danger"), and these objects can change its emotion ■ Robot also periodically states what emotion it is "feeling" (e.g. "I feel happy") Depending on emotion it is feeling, its behavior is

modified via SS-RICS productions

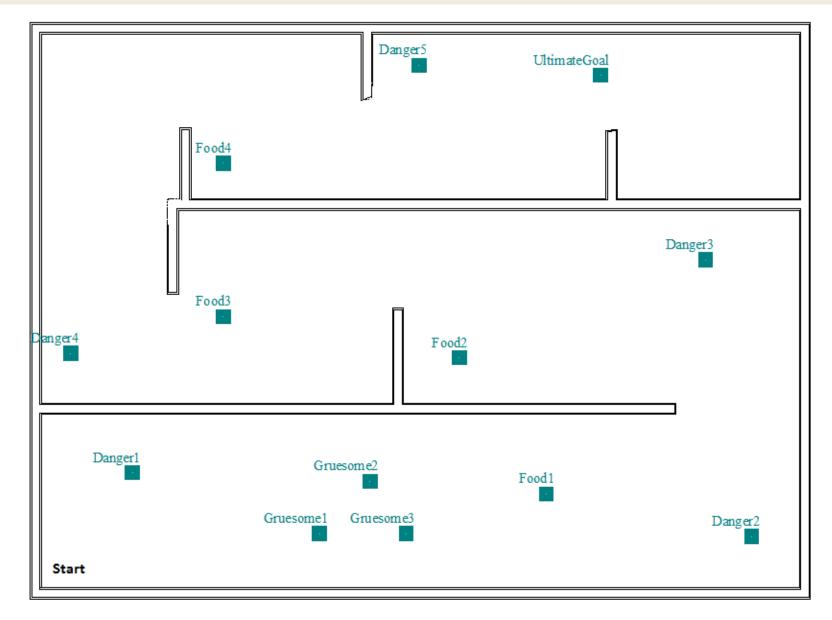
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#### **Map Used for Tests**



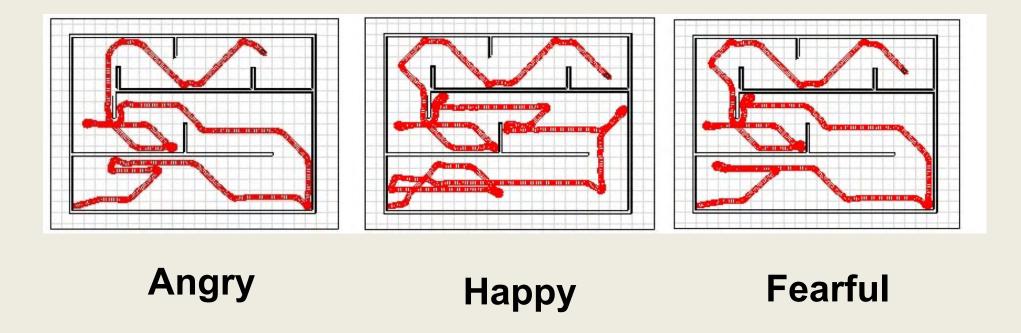






### Routes Taken by Robots





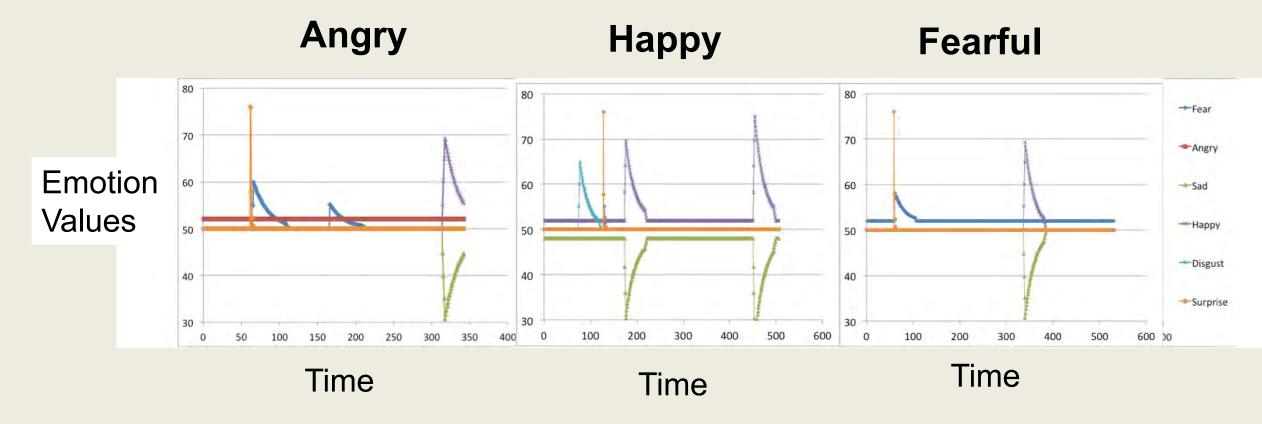
Robots travel thru maze and experience items that effect their emotions. All robots go thru same maze and experience same items. Robots with different temperaments behave differently.





#### **Emotion Time Histories**





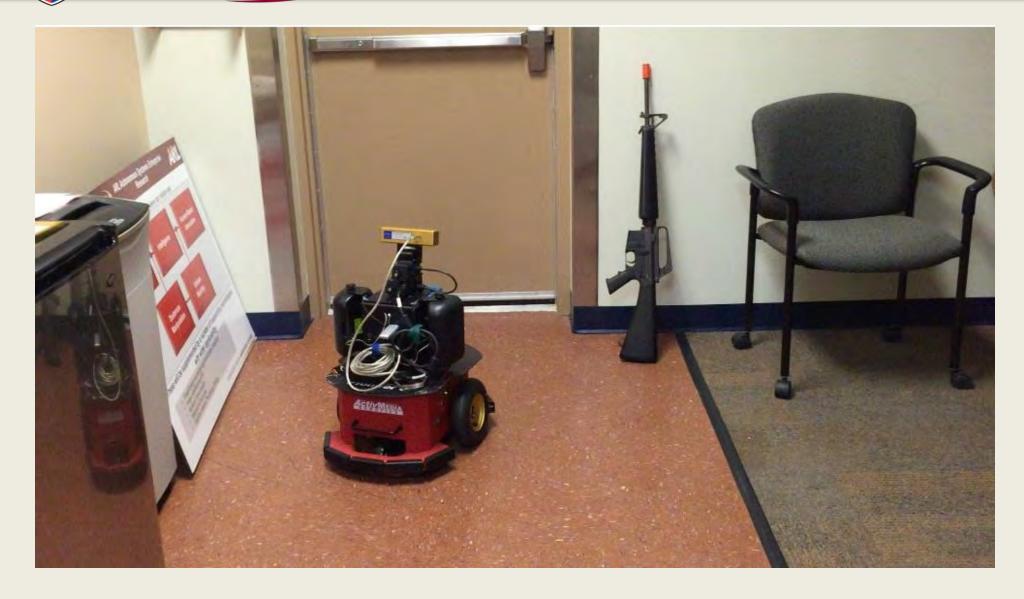
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### **Robot Test Cases**









# **Robot Results**



Ran the same tests as ran in simulator but on mobile robot (results were essentially the same qualitatively)
Objects were stored in map
Robot speaks when it sees these things ("I see danger")
Robot also periodically states what emotion it is "feeling" (e.g. "I feel happy", "I'm afraid", "I'm very afraid")
Depending on emotion it is feeling, its behavior is modified
It roams around the building looking for a particular object while it builds a map of the building





# Conclusions



Limotion and temperament model has been developed	
☐ It has been incorporated into a cognitive mobile robot	
☐ Will run more extensive tests in future	
☐ Will also work to evaluate the emotion/temperament model and the temperament matrix	
☐ It would also be interesting to couple memories and storage.  Emotions can influence memories.	
☐ More Details in:	
Long L.N., "A Model for Temperament and Emotions on Robots In: Chen J. (eds), Advances in Human Factors in Robots and Unmanned Systems. AHFE 2017. Advances in Intelligent Systems and Computing, vol 595. Springer, 2018.	





### Thank You. Questions?



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SS-RICS: <a href="https://www.arl.army.mil/www/default.cfm?page=3236">https://www.arl.army.mil/www/default.cfm?page=3236</a>







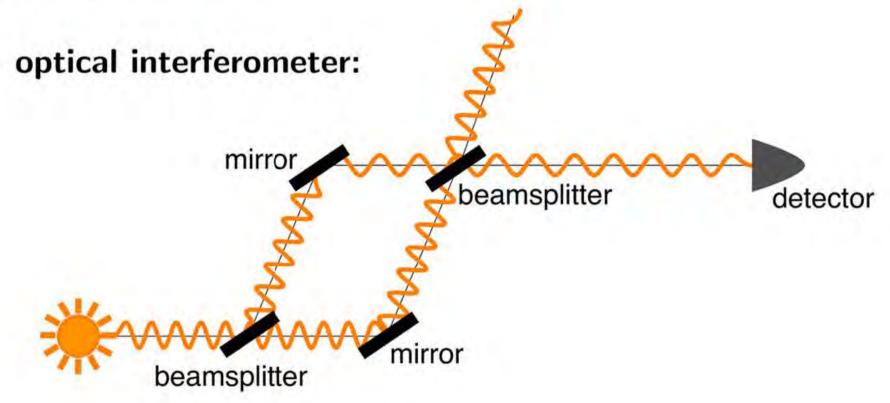
# Optimal pulse schemes for high-precision atom interferometry

Michael Goerz<sup>1</sup>, Paul Kunz<sup>1</sup>, Mark Kasevich<sup>2</sup>, Vladimir Malinovsky<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>U.S. Army Research Lab, <sup>2</sup>Stanford University

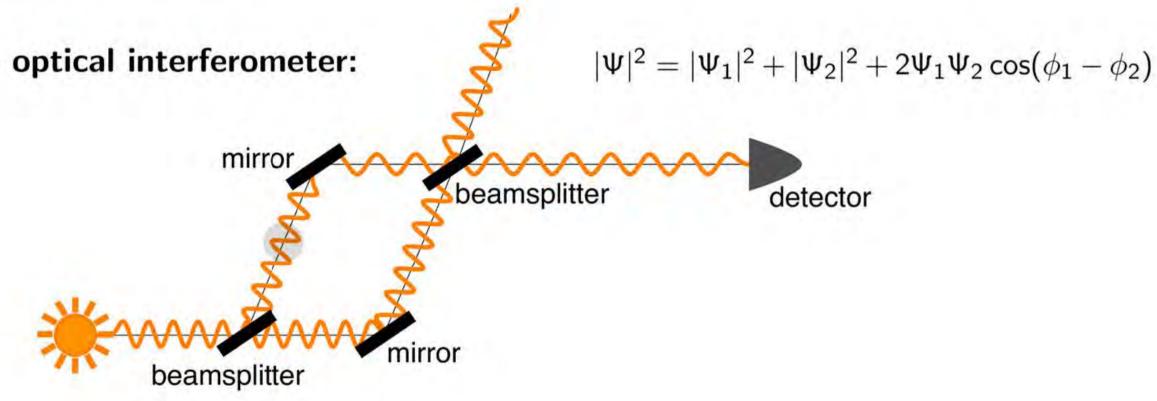






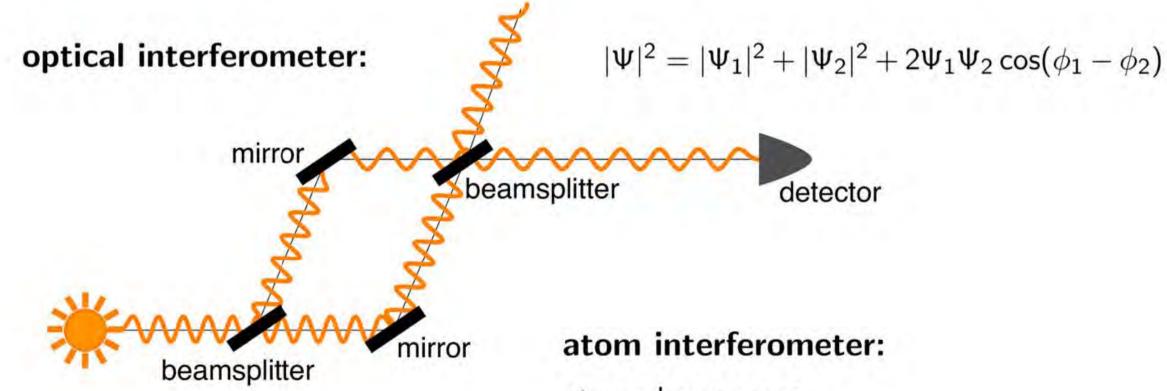








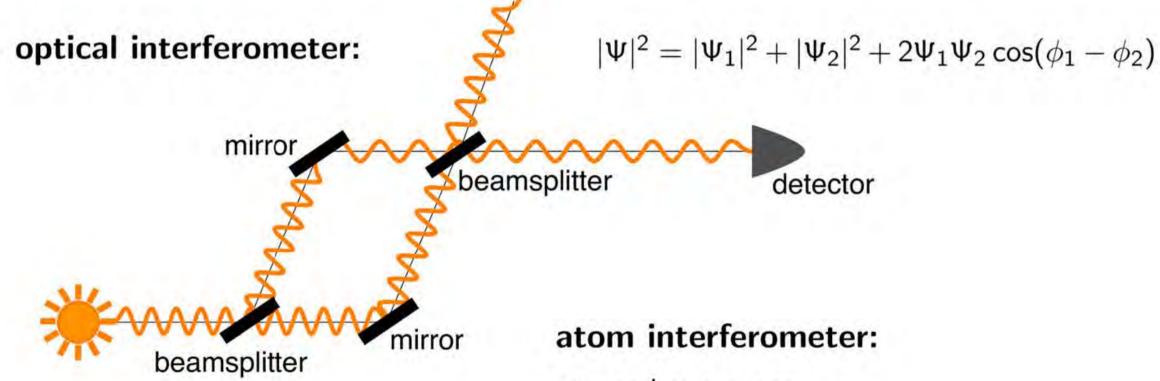




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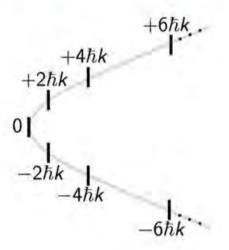


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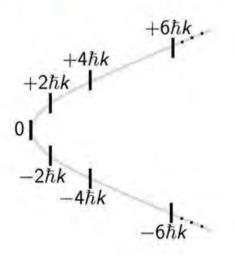


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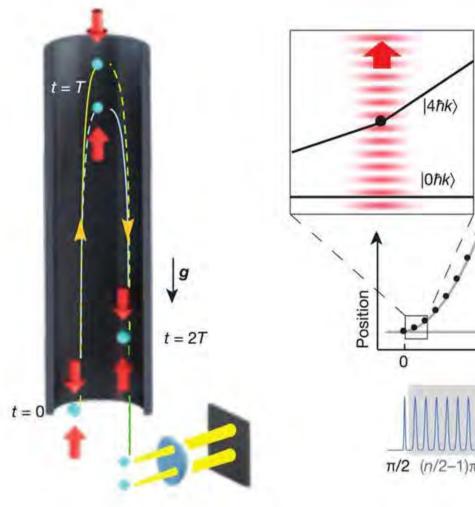


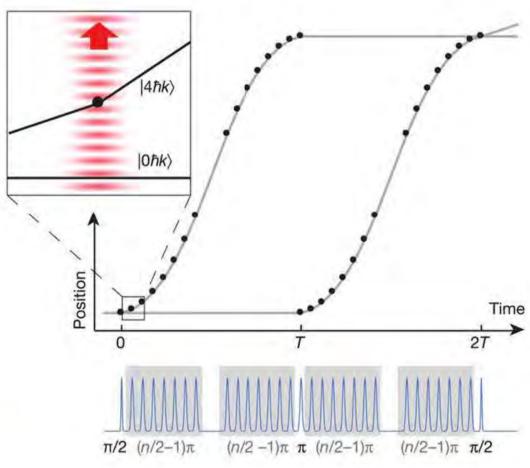


### 10 m atomic fountain at Stanford: ultracold 87Rb atomic cloud



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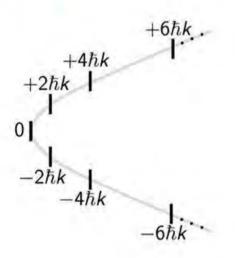


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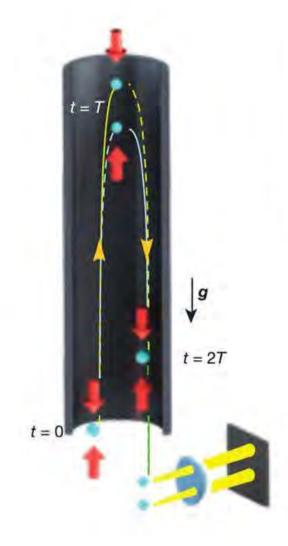


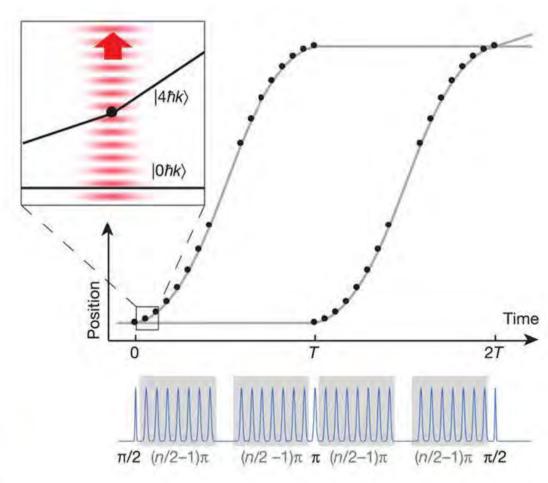
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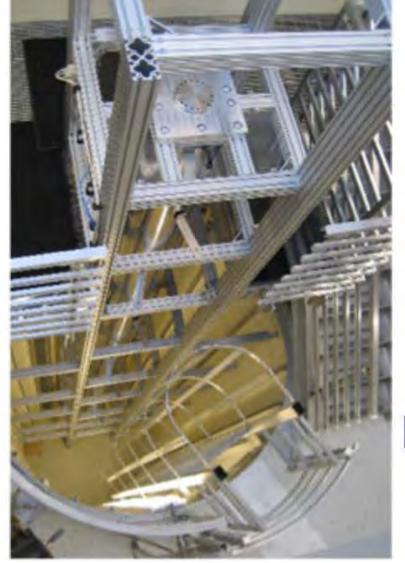
### **Army applications:**

ultra-precise measurement of acceleration / gravity

- inertial navigation:
   submarines, autonomous vehicles
   not jammable!
  - gyroscopes
  - gravity gradient sensors
- weapons system control
- geospatial mapping
- drone or satellite based detection of underground structures



10 m atomic fountain: sensitivity  $10^{-13}$  g/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ 



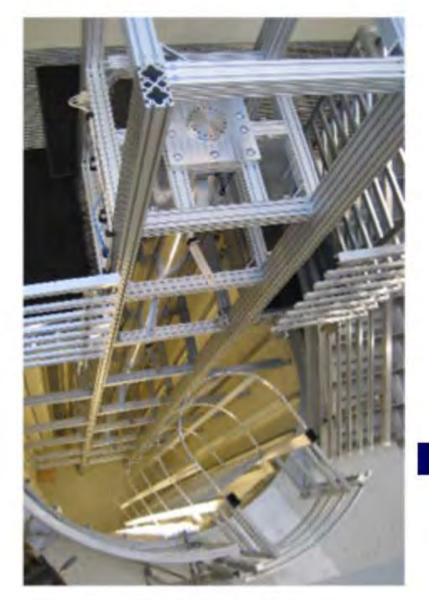


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10 m atomic fountain: sensitivity  $10^{-13}$  g/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ 

### factors:

- signal to noise ratio
- large momentum transfer



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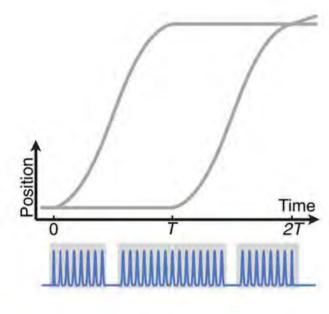


# Apply optimal control to atom optics pulses

- ⇒ increase fidelity
- ⇒ robustness against fluctuations

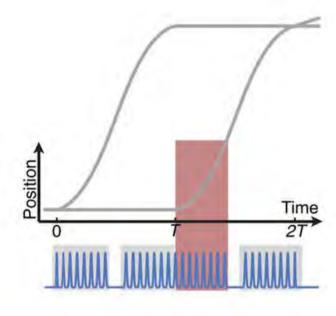








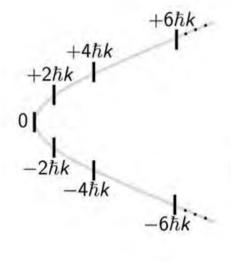


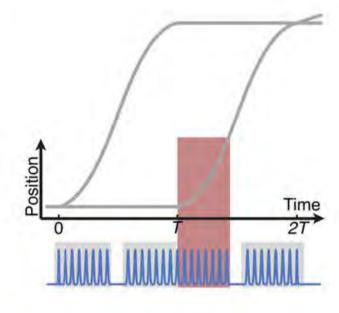








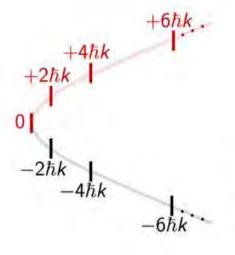


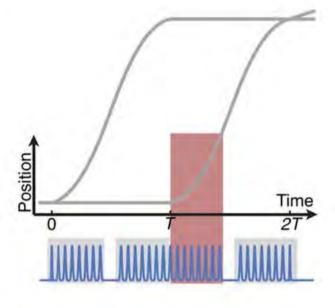






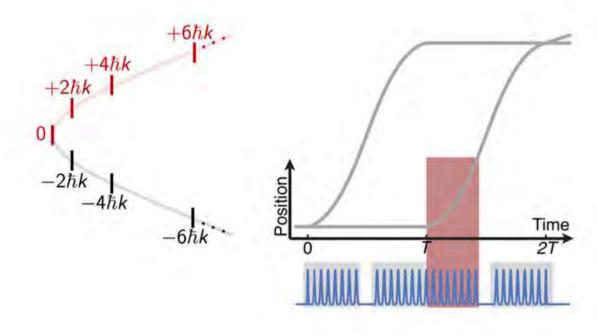








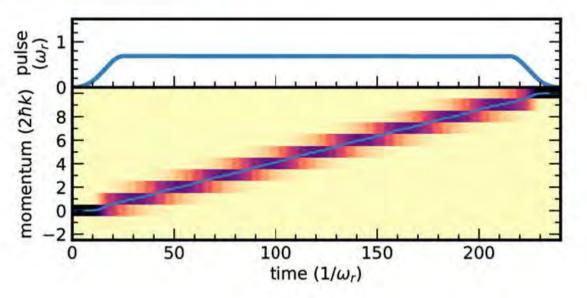


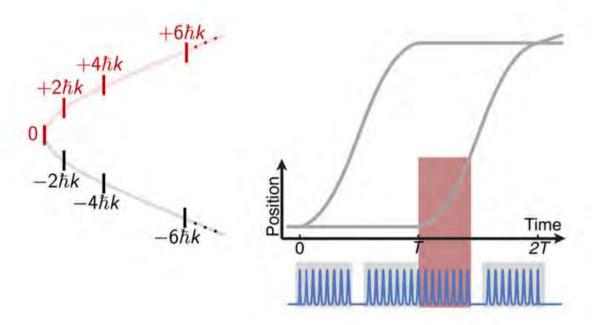


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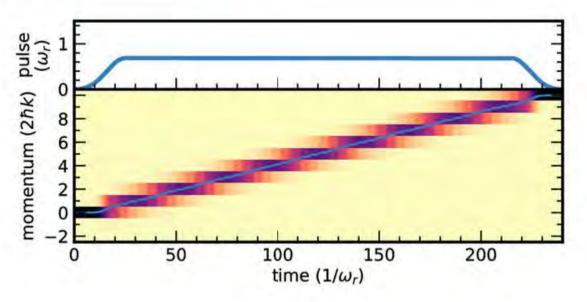


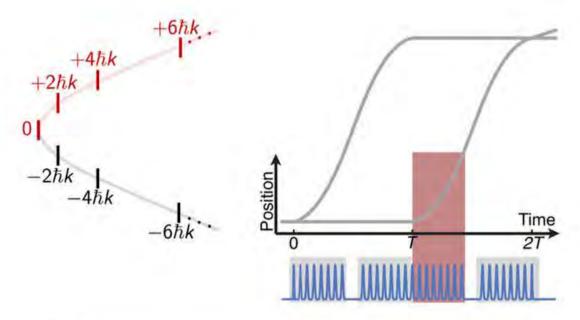


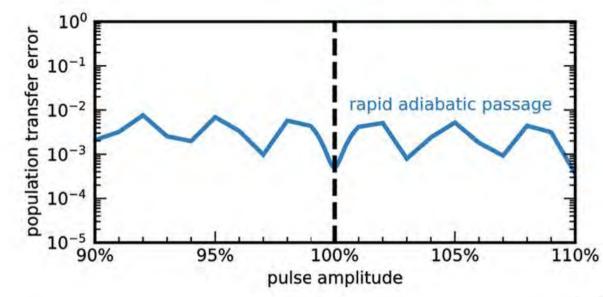
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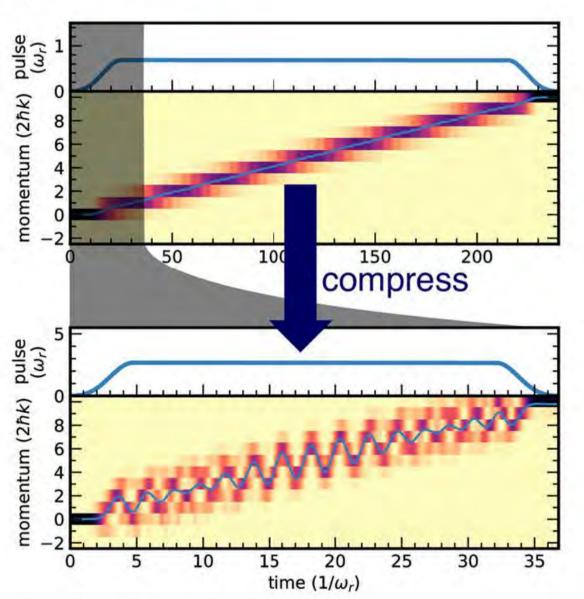


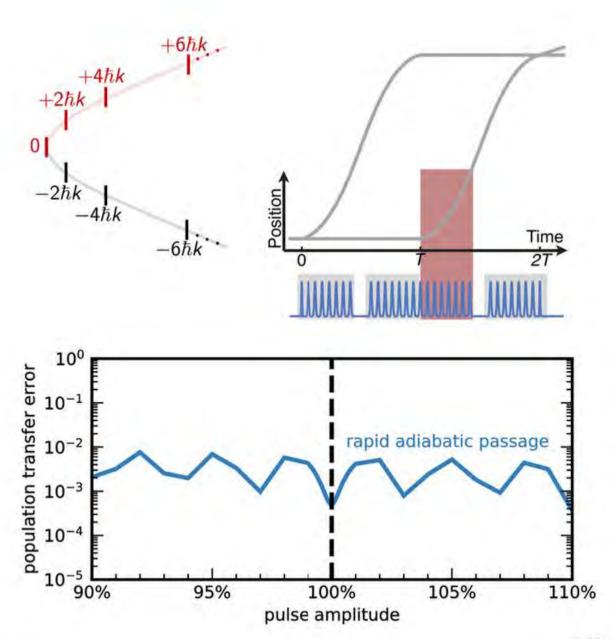






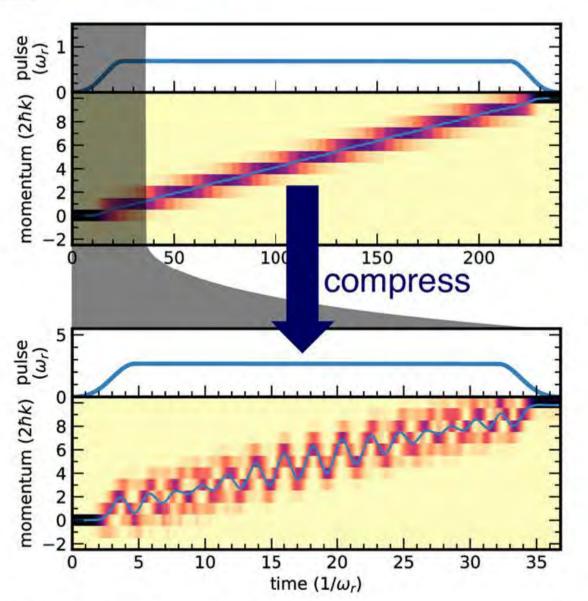


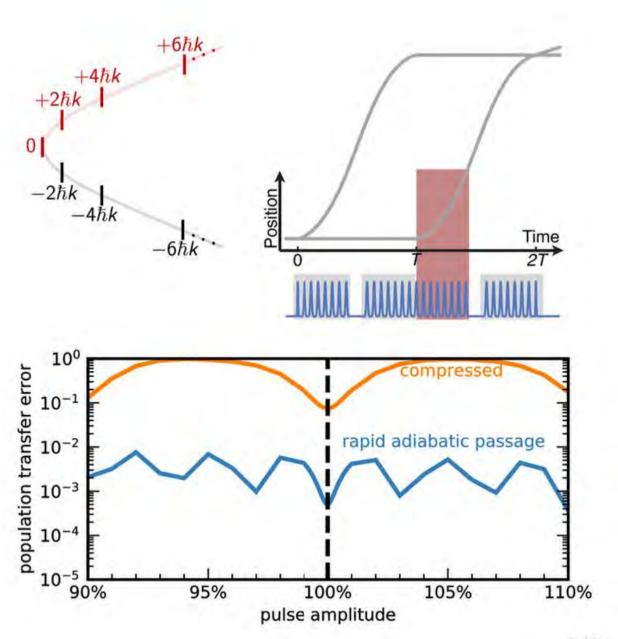






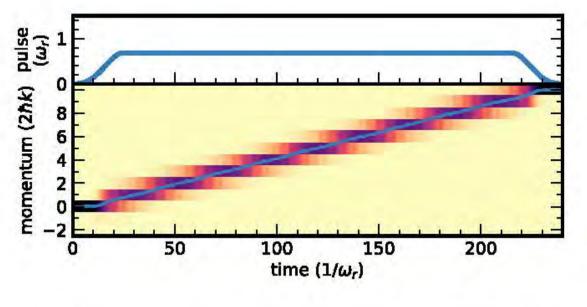


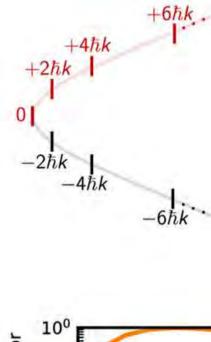


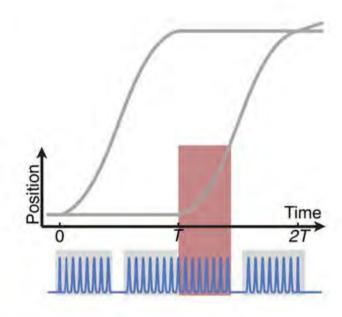


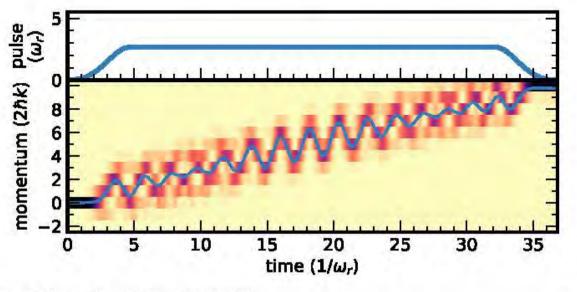


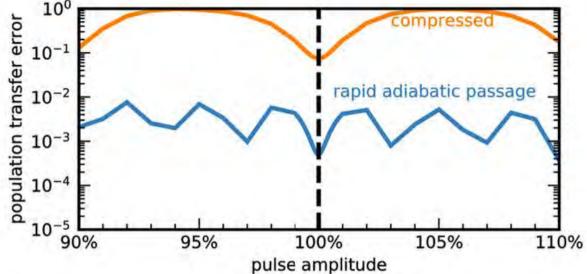






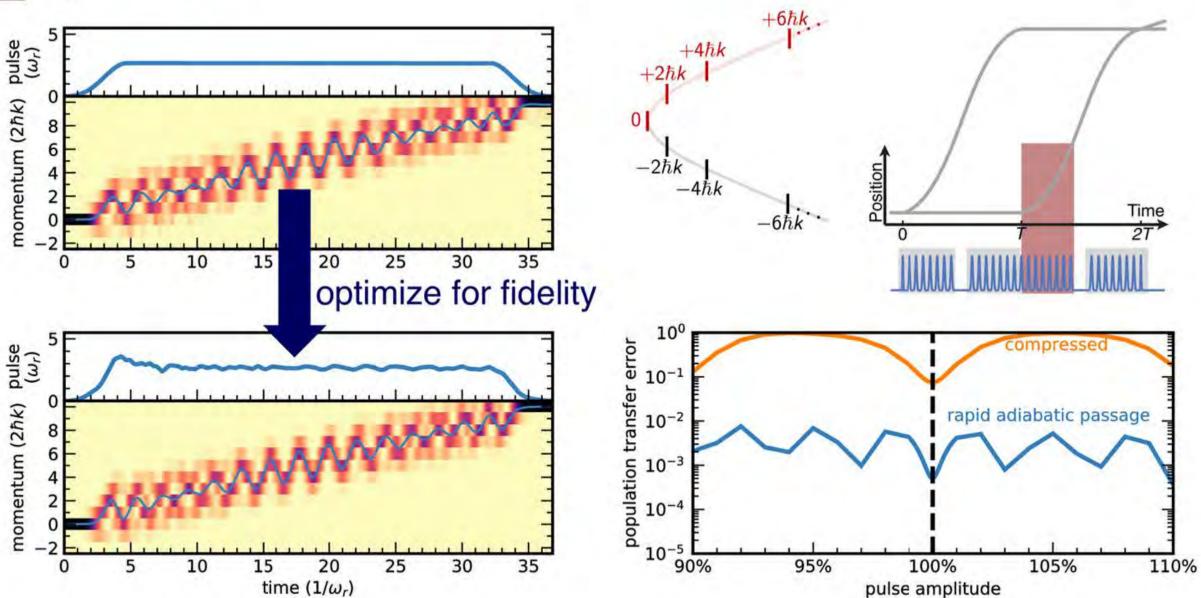






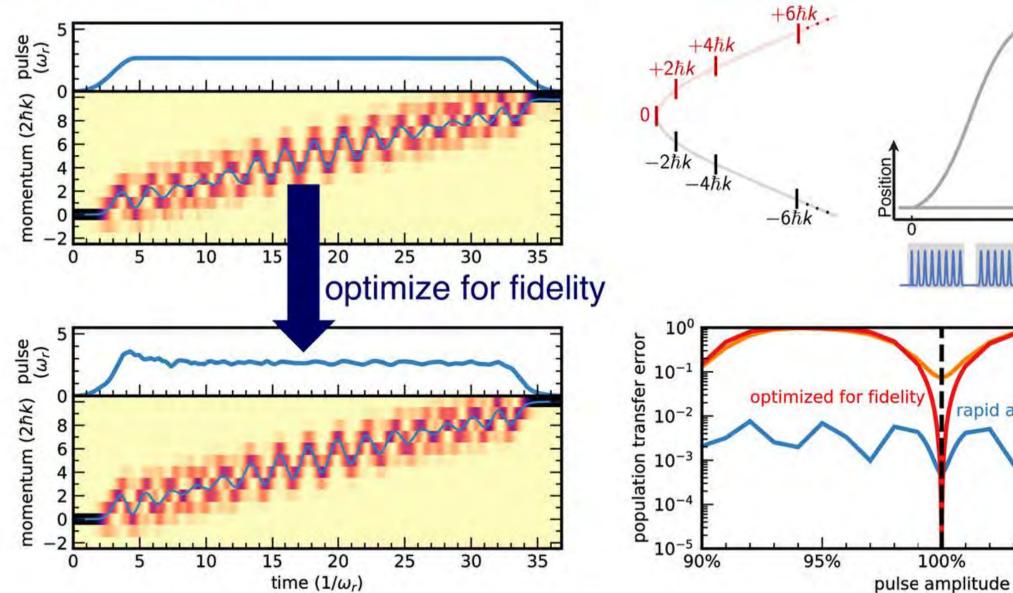


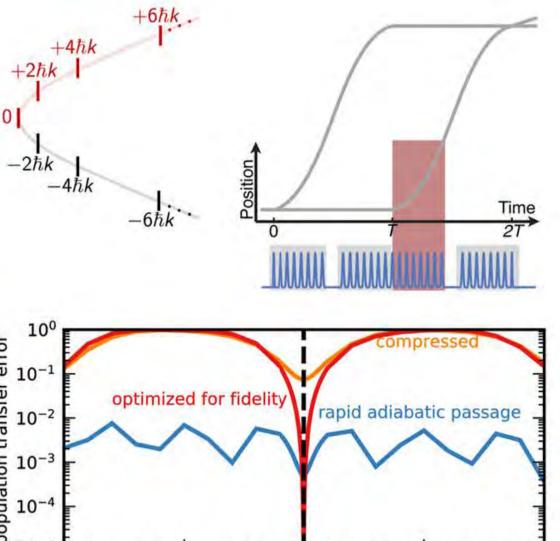












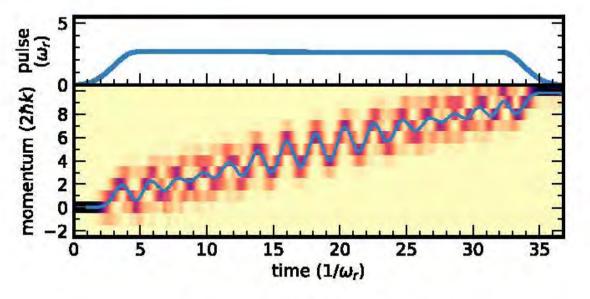
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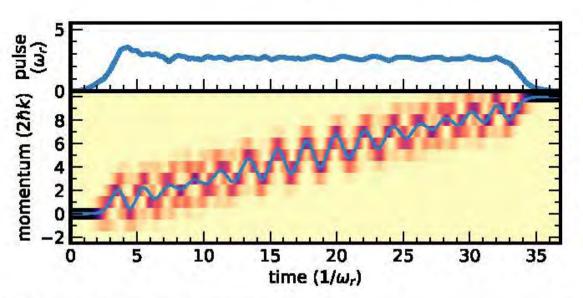
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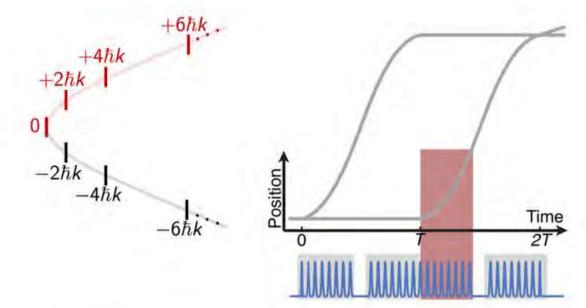
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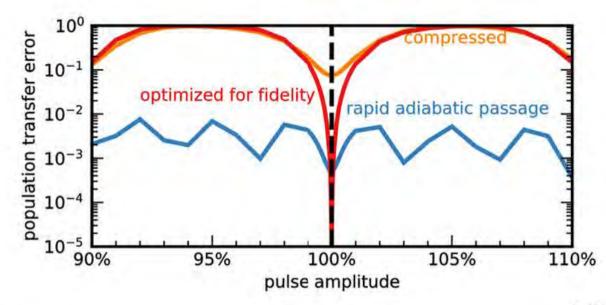






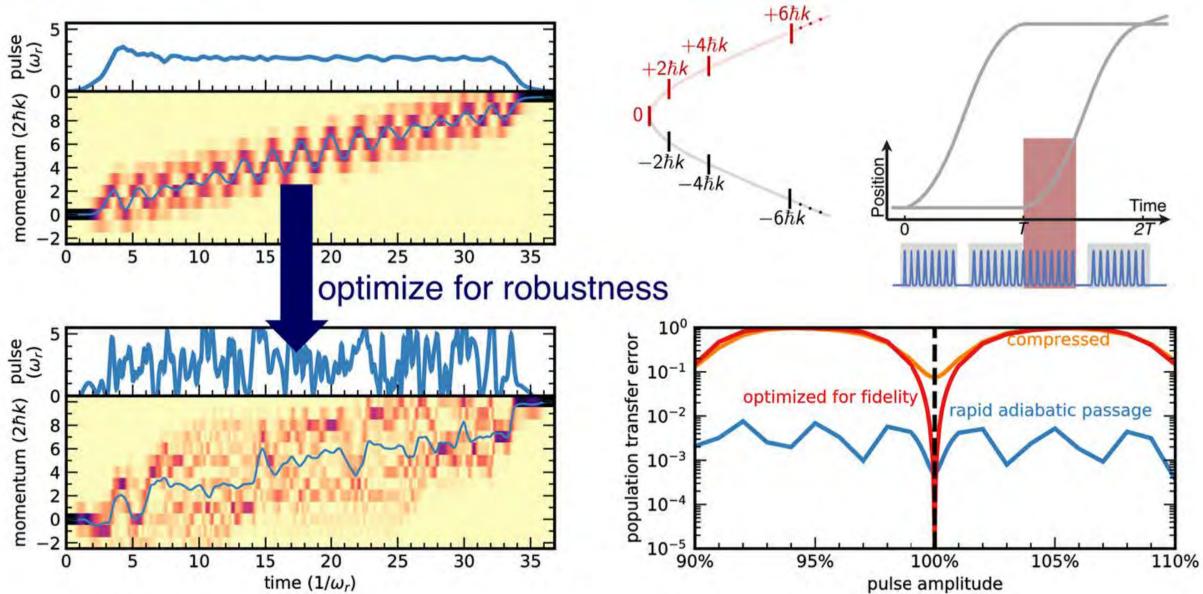






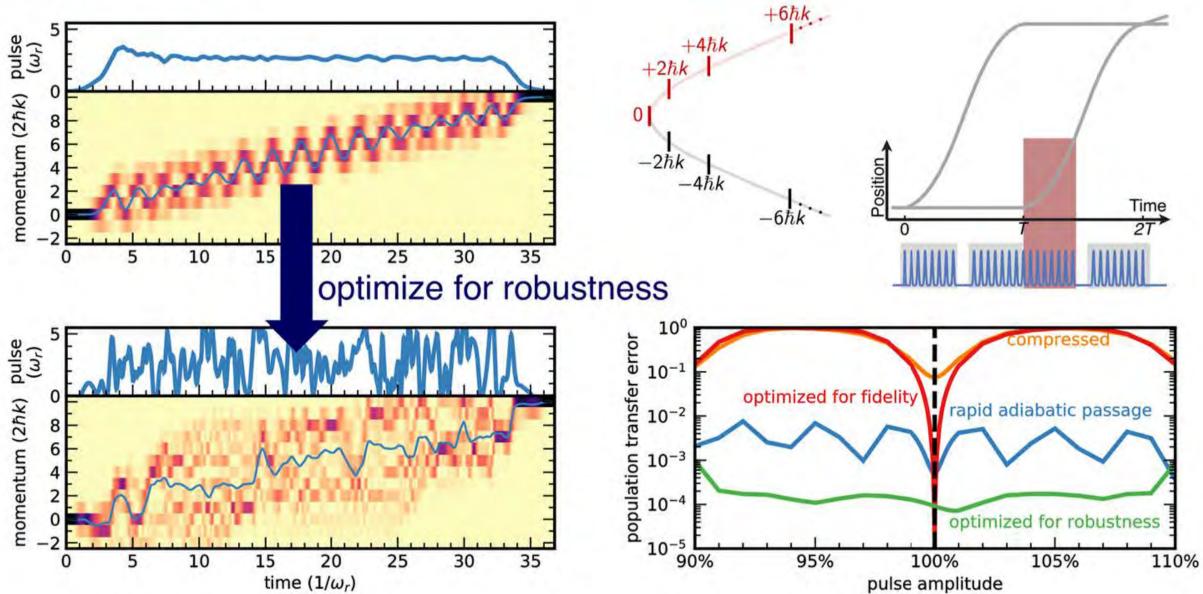








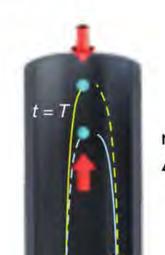






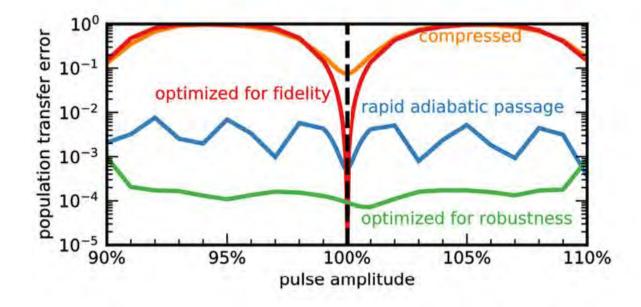


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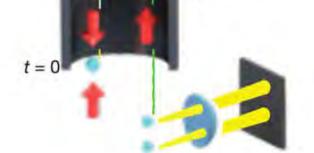
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- optimal control can compress pulses
   by order of magnitude while guaranteeing robustness
- Army applications: ultra-precise measurement of acceleration / gravity
  - ⇒ inertial navigation, satellite based gravitational sensing







# U.S. ARMY RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND ENGINEERING COMMAND

Materials and Manufacturing Advancements to Demonstrate Objective Underbody Protection

Bryan Cheeseman and Megan Lynch

Team Leader

**US Army Research Laboratory** 





### **BACKGROUND: UNDERBODY THREAT**

### WWII



Korea



**OIF** 



**Vietnam** 



**OEF** 



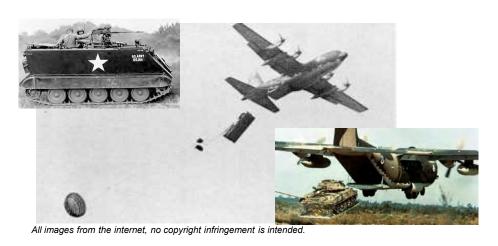
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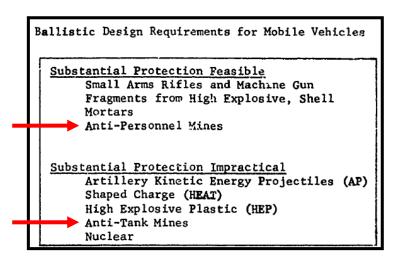




### **BACKGROUND**

### 1950's: Requirements for Aluminum Hull Combat Vehicles





### 1960's: Deployed to Vietnam







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Between November 1967 and March 1970... mines accounted for 73% of all vehicle losses, including 1,342 M113s.

(Armor Magazine, Nuckols and Cameron, 2016)

While requirements did change from the 1950s to the 1980s, they were insufficient for operationally relevant threats seen in OIF/OEF.





# US ARMY AFFORDABLE PROTECTION FROM OBJECTIVE THREATS (APOT) MANTECH PROGRAM

### <u>OBJECTIVE</u>

Mature affordable aluminum hull manufacturing technologies to defeat <u>objective</u> underbody blast threats and demonstrate <u>objective</u> level force protection.

#### Definition:

- APOT Threshold (T) > Operationally Relevant Threat
- APOT Objective (O) >> Operationally Relevant Threat

### **OPPORTUNITIES ADDRESSED**

- · Limited Manufacturing Technologies
  - Current manufacturing technologies <u>not mature</u> enough to fabricate heavily protected combat vehicle structures
- Force Protection
  - Fielded solutions <u>not sufficient</u> to protect against objective underbody blast attacks
  - Objective underbody threats require thicker hull materials and new design concepts
- Informed Decision Making via Live Fire Tests
  - Objective threats far exceeded prior understanding of structure performance
  - Understand the realm of "possibilities"





#### **APOT HULL MANUFACTURING**

Minimize the propensity of common failure modes in aluminum hulls by maturation of manufacturing methods for thicker hulls

- Having minimal welds through the use of <u>forging</u> and <u>forming</u>;
- Utilizing <u>improved weld processes</u> for higher strength welds with minimal defects.

#### **FORGING**



#### **FORMING**



From Steel News, 2015

## HIGH ENERGY BURIED ARC WELDING (HEBAW)







#### MATERIAL CONSIDERATIONS: ARMOR ALLOYS FOR FORGING / FORMING

#### PEO-Ground Combat Systems: Conventionally weld-able, non-proprietary alloys

Alloy	MIL DTL	Pros	Cons
5083	46027K	Weldable, Extensive experience	Forge-ability constaints, Limited strength in thick section forgings
5059	46027K	Weldable, higher strength than 5083	Same as above, Proprietary
6061	32262	Forgeable, inexpensive	Poor strength in thick section, not qualified for ballistic welds
2219	46118E	Can forge large sections	Low elongation GMAW welds, little historical armor utilization
2519	46192C	High strength, can forge large sections	Low elongation GMAW welds, blast performance concerns
2139	32431	High strength, high toughness, good blast resistance	Low elongation GMAW welds Proprietary,
7085	32375	High strength, high toughness, good blast resistance, utilized for thick section forgings	Conventionally un-weldable, Proprietary.
7039	46063H	High strength	Stress corrosion cracking, blast resistance in T6 temper
7017	32505	High Strength	Stress corrosion cracking, blast resistance in T6 temper
7020	32505	Forge-able, capable of very thick sections, moderate strength, good toughness, weldable, Investigated as part of FTAS program	Appropriate temper required to minimize stress corrosion cracking





## **ALUMINUM 7020 FOR FORMING & FORGING**

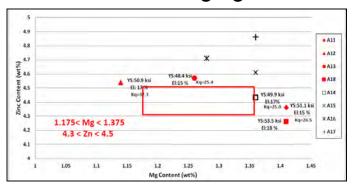
- Weld-able by conventional means
- Forge-able thick section forgings produced by Aubert-Duval (France)
- Commodity armor alloy produced in Europe by Aleris, Constellium, Alcoa (UK) – but <u>never commercially produced in the US!</u>

ARL worked with ATI, Vista Metals and Constellium to quickly develop industrial scale processing parameters for domestic casting, forging and plate production

Developed target chemistry, homogenization practice, solution heat treat, quench and ageing practice.

ATI Inc.
Alloy Technology Innovations

7020 Chemistry and Thermomechanical Process Parameters Developed using Small Forgings



Very large billet casting done by Vista Metals.







#### FORGED HULL - CONCEPT TO COMPONENT

#### <u>Risks</u>

- Thickness distribution
- Geometry
- Component depth
- Lack of cold workability
- Ingot size and shape limits
- Ingot upsetting
- Preforming
- Process parameters
  - Temperature (piece/tool)
  - Tooling
  - Material handling
- Material Flow characteristics
- Residual stresses
- Quench Sensitivity
- Ingot chemistry
- Weld performance
- Side wall fill
- Die configuration
- SHT&Q parameters
- Ageing parameters
- Equipment limitations
- Machining distortions

#### **Activities**

- Component Design
- Design for manufacture
- Tool steel acuisition
- Forging analysis
- Tooling design
- Tooling fabrication
- Chemistry development
- Ingot acquisition
- Ingot upsetting
- Process flowpath
- Risk assessment/mitigation
- Preforming
- Die forging
- Component clean-up
- Residual stress analysis
- Distortion analysis/mitigation
- SHTQ & Age
- Straightening
- Machining
- Shipping
- Integration (Bob Sled, BH&T)
- Blast testing





...to this in 12 months!







#### FORMED HULL - CONCEPT TO COMPONENT

#### Constellium Capable of very large plate production for forming single piece hulls



- Rapidly developed the US ingot casting and rolling parameters for aluminum alloy 7020 production at Ravenswood, WV
- Produced all 7020-T651 plate for the effort.
- Produced the largest aluminum armor plate ever for formed hull trials.

#### Risks

- Geometry
- Bend radius/thickness limits
- Formability vs. ageing
- Material flow characteristics
- Residual stresses
- Weld performance
- Die configuration
- SHT&Q parameters
- Ageing parameters
- Press limitations
- Machining distortions

#### **Activities**

- Design for manufacture
- Forming analysis
- Die design / manufacture
- Ingot processing
- Process flow path
- Risk assessment/mitigation
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- Forming
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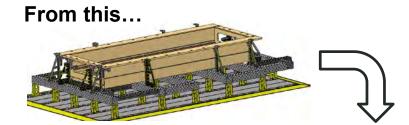
## HIGH ENERGY BURIED ARC WELDED (HEBAW) HULL – CONCEPT TO COMPONENT

#### **HEBAW**

 BAE has developed an automated, high current density gas metal arc welding (GMAW) technology for 5083 and 5059 alloys



- HEBAW advantages of conventional GMAW processes
  - High deposition rate (70-90% reduction in number of weld passes)
  - High weld penetration
  - 90% reduction in weld time
  - Reduced filler metal required
  - Less heat input → less distortion
  - Robotic controlled, repeatable
  - Reduced weld defects



Thickest welded aluminum hull ever fabricated







## MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY ACHIEVEMENTS

#### **Forged**



Largest aluminum die forging ever produced

## Forge hulls capable of integrated O protection

Forged lower hull successfully manufactured and tested at O

Forged Ballistic Hull & Turret (BH&T) fabricated; tested at O

Integrate Tencate Active Blast Defense System (ABDS) into BH&T and re-tested at O

Integrate Sloman Active Blast & Ballistic System (ABBS) onto BH&T and re-re-tested at O

Machine forged lower hull to reduced areal density, test at T

#### **Formed**



First formed aluminum tracked combat vehicle hull produced

## Form hulls having integrated T, kit to O protection

Formed lower hull successfully manufactured and tested at T

Formed lower hull + kit successfully manufactured and tested at O

Fabricate formed BH&T and test at O

#### Welded



Thickest welded lower combat vehicle hull ever produced

High Energy Buried Arc Weld

(HEBAW) hulls having

integrated T, kit to O

HEBAW hull successfully manufactured and tested at T

HEBAW hull + kit successfully manufactured and tested at O

HEBAW tested (on weld) at T

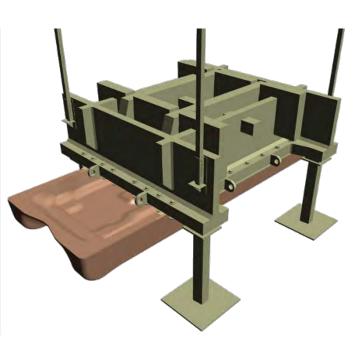
9 full scale lower hull structures, including 2 ballistic hull & turrets (BH&Ts), fabricated and tested. Demonstrated T and O underbody blast resistance!





#### LIVE FIRE TESTING OF HULLS

All hulls were mounted on a massive (44 ton) test fixture (the Bobsled) and tested with both Threshold and Objective underbody charges to validate the performance of the manufactured hulls.



#### DISTRIBUTION STATEMENT A.

Approved for public release; distribution is unlimited





#### **HULL BLAST RESULTS**

## MANUFACTURING PATH

#### **POST-TEST HULL**

#### **OBSERVATION**

Forging



Minimal permanent deformation

Forming



~Minimal permanent deformation

**HEBAW** 



Moderate permanent deformation





#### BALLISTIC HULL AND TURRETS (BH&T'S)

- •The formed and the forged hulls were manufactured into BH&Ts
- •The BH&Ts were outfitted with a number of energy absorbing technologies, ATDs and instrumentation.
- •BH&T's were live fire tested at Objective underbody levels.
- Force protection was demonstrated.









#### **SUMMARY**

The Affordable Protection from Objective Threats (APOT) ManTech effort matured three manufacturing processes for lower hulls having
Objective level blast resistance and validated the processes and resultant hulls through live fire testing.



- •Through collaboration of multiple agencies, nations and small and large businesses, a number of DoD efforts were aligned to develop and demonstrate Objective level underbody blast protection.
- •Results were transitioned to TARDEC, PEO Ground Combat Systems, US Army TRADOC and vehicle OEMs.





#### TRANSITION & IMPLEMENTATION

•TRADOC Maneuver Center of Excellence wrote requirements based on the results demonstrated as part of APOT.



•BAE implemented design elements and manufacturing processes matured as part of APOT into the Armored Multi-purpose Vehicle (AMPV) lower hull.



https://www.baesystems.com/en-us/multimedia/armored-multi-purpose-vehicle-roll-out





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## U.S. ARMY RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND ENGINEERING COMMAND

FORWARD LOOKING SYNTHETIC APERTURE RADAR (FLSAR) CONCEPT FOR LANDING IN DEGRADED VISUAL ENVIRONMENTS (DVE)

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#### **MOTIVATION**

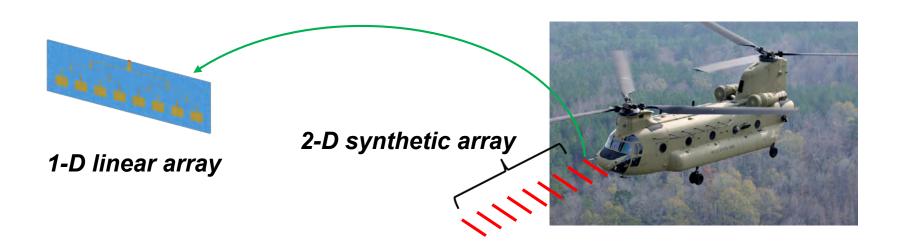
- Survivability of Future Vertical Lift Platforms is one of the Army's modernization priorities
- Rotorcraft crashes caused by degraded visual environments (DVE) conditions account for a large number of casualties to US and allied forces
- We propose the development of a millimeter-wave (MMW) radar sensor to assist helicopter landing in DVE
- Current state-of-the-art in aircraft landing sensors:
  - Forward-looking infrared (FLIR) cannot see through thick dust
  - Passive MMW scanning arrays no range info, limited resolution
  - Active MMW radar based on 2-D scanning arrays complex and costly
- The on-going DVE-M Army program integrates multiple sensors on one platform
- Landing in heavy brownout conditions is still a capability gap
- Current radar systems does not meet all SWAP-C and performance requirements





#### WHY FORWARD LOOKING SAR FOR DVE

- Our proposed solution: linear antenna array combined with forward-looking synthetic aperture radar (FLSAR) processing
- Different operation from both traditional side-looking SAR and 2-D scanning arrays
- Radar system operating in a MMW frequency band
- Simpler, less expensive, low SWAP, more robust solution for 3-D terrain mapping
- Emphasis shifted from hardware complexity (physical beamforming) to signal processing (computational beamforming)
- FLSAR requires accurate timing and position information to maintain coherent processing







#### HISTORY OF FORWARD LOOKING RADAR AT ARL

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250 Wooden (meter) **Stakes** Metallic **Targets** Vegetation

Cross-Range (meter)

- Low-frequency (0.5 2 GHz), ultra-wideband (UWB) radar
- 2 transmitters and 16 receivers in 2-m-wide antenna array
- Average power ~ 1 W, range up to 30 m
- System development between 2006 to present
- Applications: FOPEN, STTW, GPEN

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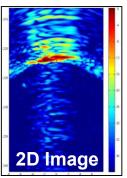


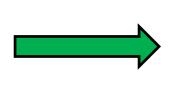


#### FROM UWB TO MMW FLSAR

- ARL has been developing ground-based forward looking UWB, low frequency radar technology since 2006
- Multiple concealed target detection applications have been explored (FOPEN, GPEN, STTW)
- The DVE radar operates at longer ranges higher frequencies required to obtain good cross-range and elevation resolution with the same aperture
- Moving the radar from ground- to airborne platform new challenges in terms of SWAP, timing, vibrations, positioning information
- While the overall concept is similar, there are some distinct differences:
  - Vastly different operational frequencies
  - 2-D vs. 3-D imaging













#### **DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS**

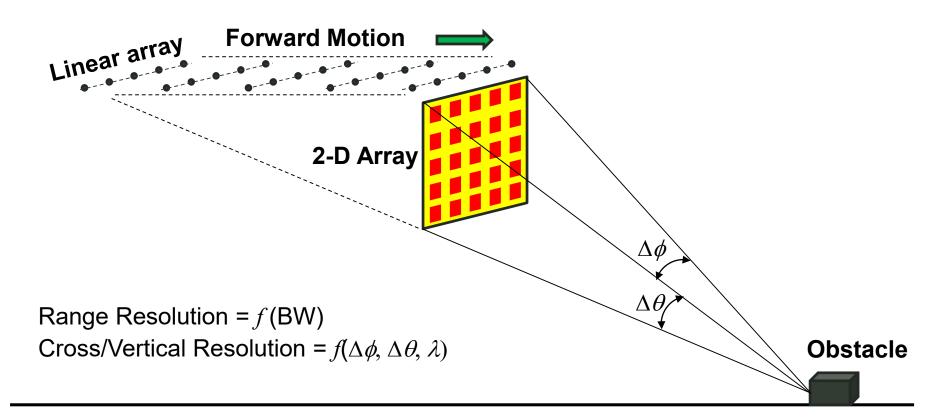
- MMW radar technology offers the following advantages:
  - Good resolution in all dimensions
  - Better penetration (clouds, rain, dust) than IR and optical sensors
  - Low power, small size especially antenna elements, but also circuitry
- Big technology advances in the commercial world, due to automotive radar and 5-G wireless communications
- Possible choices for frequency band: K (24 GHz), Ka (35 GHz), W (76 and 95 GHz)
- We aim for an image resolution < 0.5 m in all directions</li>
- Estimated average transmitted power on the order of 1–10 W
- Operational range of a few hundred meters from the landing area
- The antenna array size constrained by platform considerations this limits the achievable cross-range resolution

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## ANALOGY BETWEEN FLSAR AND 2-D PHASED ARRAY RADAR



The forward looking linear array combined with forward motion subtends the same angle space as the 2-D phased array radar to achieve comparable resolution.

Resolution in the third dimension comes from the signal bandwidth.

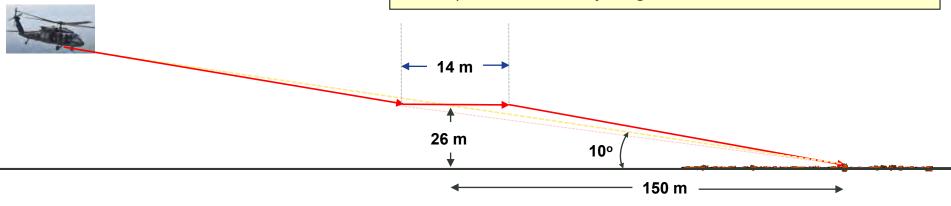




## SIMULATING A 3-D IMAGE OF LANDING ZONE WITH FLSAR

- ----- Constant 10° gliding path
  - Alternate gliding path

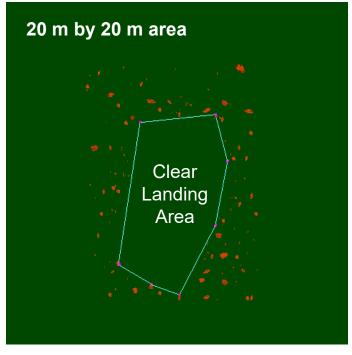
- Helicopter is on a 10° glide path for landing
- To generate resolution in elevation, the glide path is modified to include a 14-m-long level flight section – this allows an elevation angle change of 1°
- 1-m-wide antenna array 0.4° physical aperture
- We modeled the radar sensing problem using Xpatch, in K-band (24 GHz) and Ka-band (35 GHz)
- Based on the model data, we simulated SAR images at 600 m, 300 m, and 150 m from landing
- Flat surface clear landing area (approximately 5 m by 8 m) surrounded by large rocks





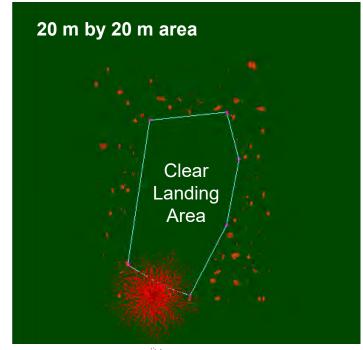


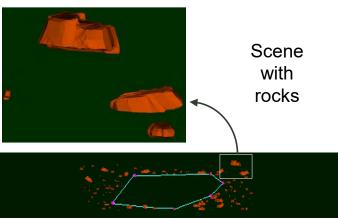
## MODELING SCENARIO – LARGE ROCKS AND TREE AS LANDING OBSTACLES



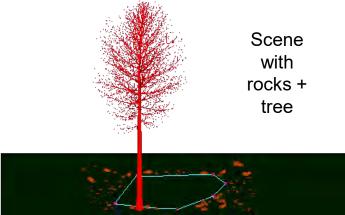
**Top View** 

Down-range





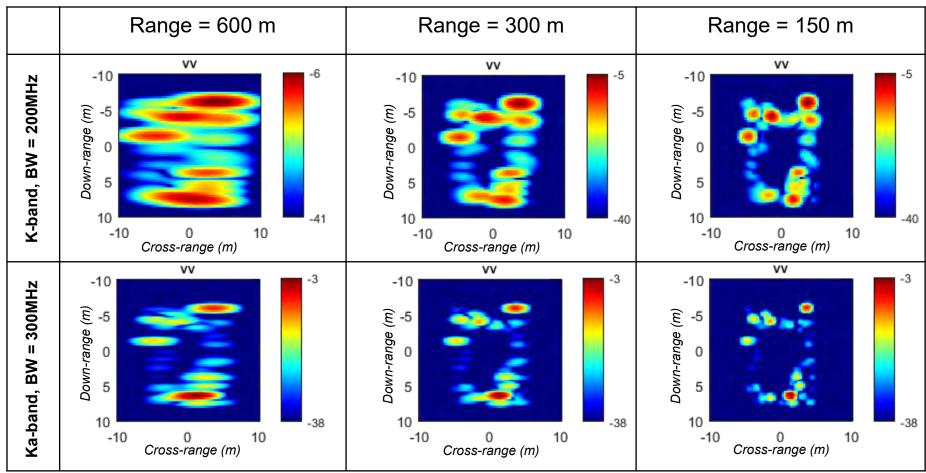
Pilot View  $(\theta = 10^{\circ})$ 







#### 2-D SAR IMAGES – GROUND WITH ROCKS

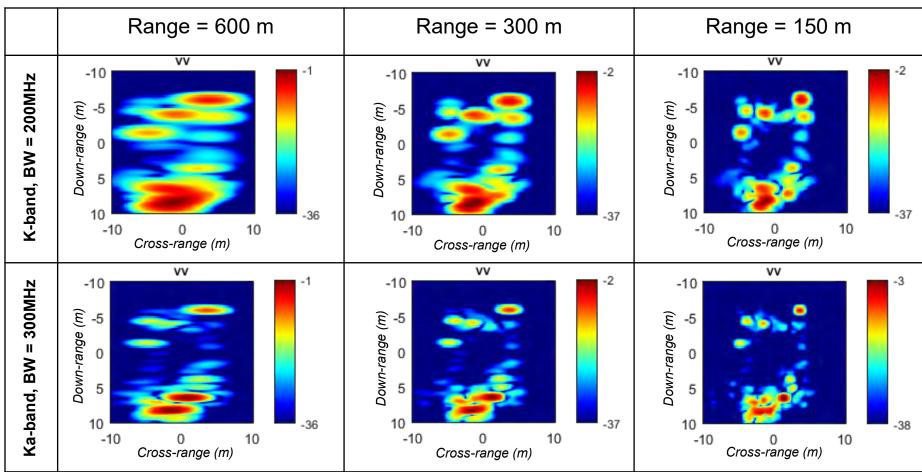


- These are 2-D ground-plane images obtained at 3 different ranges and 2 frequency bands
- Notice that resolution scales up with frequency
- Cross-range resolution improves at shorter ranges





#### 2-D SAR IMAGES – SCENE WITH TREE

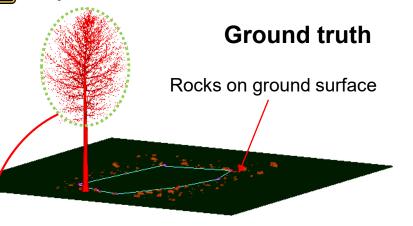


- We cannot identify the tree in the 2-D ground-plane images
- Resolution in elevation (3-D imaging) is required for this purpose



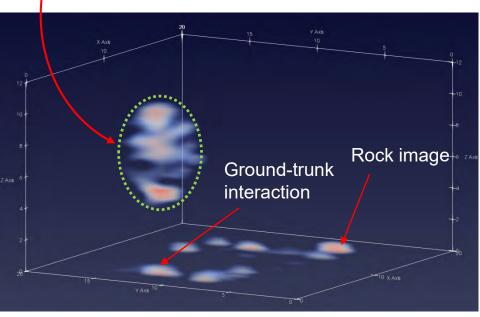


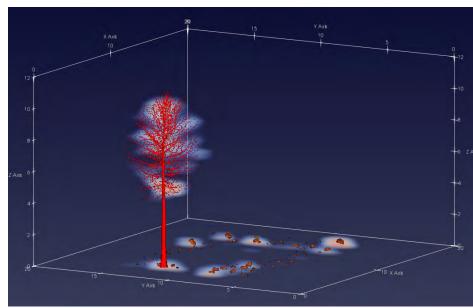
#### **3-D VISUALIZATION OF LANDING ZONE**



 $f_c$  = 24 GHz, BW = 200 MHz  $\theta$  = 10°,  $\Delta\theta$  = 1°,  $\Delta\phi$  = 0.4° Range = 150 m25 dB dynamic range

#### 3-D radar image with ground truth overlay





Flying straight and level for a brief period, one can obtain a 3-D terrain map

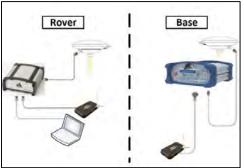


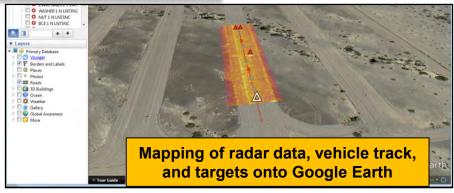


#### **MOTION COMPENSATION OF SAR IMAGERY**

#### SAFIRE Radar $\longrightarrow$ GPS Hardware







For SAFIRE UWB Radar (*f* = 300 – 2000 MHz), we use Real Time Kinematic (RTK) satellite navigation (with IMU) to improve the precision of position data derived from GPS. Provides overall position accuracy of better than 2 cm. For forward looking DVE SAR, will need an order of magnitude increase in precision.

#### Forward Looking DVE SAR



#### **Potential Solutions:**

- IMU for coarse correction followed by radar-signal-based correction
- Translational motion compensation
  - Envelope correlation
  - Global range alignment
- Platform vibration compensation and filtering algorithms
- Phase gradient autofocus

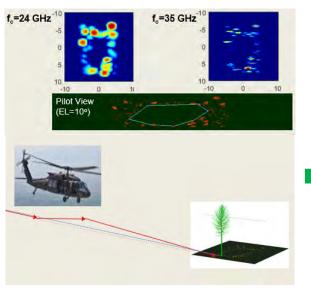
An all digital-signal-processing solution may be possible if relative positional accuracy is sufficient, rather than absolute accuracy.



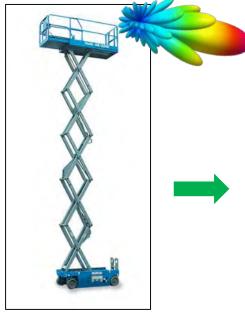




#### **DVE FLSAR MAJOR MILESTONES**







Modeling and Simulation Engineering Trade Space Hardware Development FY18-FY20

Ground Demonstration
Post Processing
4QFY20

Airborne Demonstration on JTARV Platform Real Time Operation 4QFY22

2018 2019 2020 2021 2022





#### **SUMMARY**

- Developing a multi-year research program in FLSAR for DVE
  - Syncs up with CSA priority on Future Vertical Lift, Aircraft Survivability
     Equipment and Future Unmanned Aerial System S&T demo in 5 years
- The goal is to demonstrate a low-cost radar sensor for 3-D terrain mapping by the end of FY22
- The enabling technologies are mm-wave radar, linear antenna arrays and forward looking SAR
- Our development efforts will be focused on modeling, phenomenology, signal processing and hardware prototyping







# Automating Science to Rapidly Discover Higher Performing Armor Ceramics for Readiness Today

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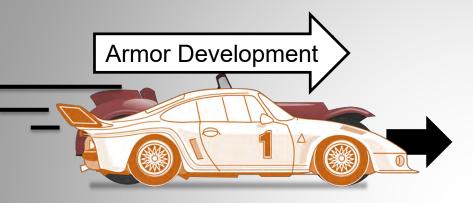
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## A Solution to the Challenge We Face







Threat Development

Outpace developing threats by accelerating the finding of scientific discoveries that lead to better armor.



Modernize our approach to science





#### Yesterday's View of Science ARL



"The grandest discoveries of science have been but the rewards of accurate measurement and patient long-continued labour in the minute sifting of numerical results."

- Lord Kelvin (1883)

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"Now Try This"



#### Overcoming the Rate Limitations ARL



#### NEED TO KNOW: Processing → Structure → Performance

Traditional approach to materials discovery **MICROSTRUCTURE** "It's going to work "How did it turn ou this time!" ish

RESULT: Tired, inefficient material discovery and development, (10's of samples)

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REFINEMENT

nat didn't work"



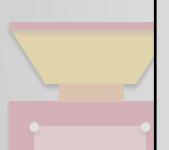


#### High-Throughput Experimentation (HTE) bed



**RESULT: Stre** 





High-Throughput Screening Example



Robots used to rapidly screen millions of drug compound combinations



Photo top: Maggie Bartlett, NHGRI (Wikimedia) Photo bottom: Chris Frazee, UW-Madison HTS

High-throughput screening drives early-stage drug discovery.

"Big rewards to quickly finding a life-saving drug" development,



**A B C** : **X** 

DBC: V





### Our Modern Approach to Discovery ARL

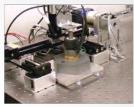
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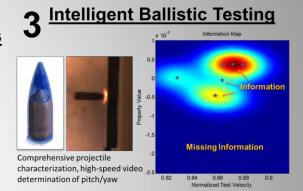
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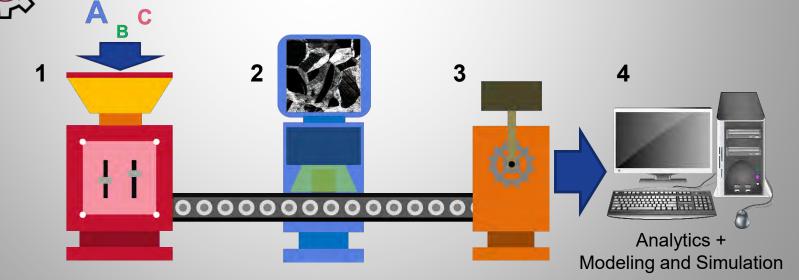


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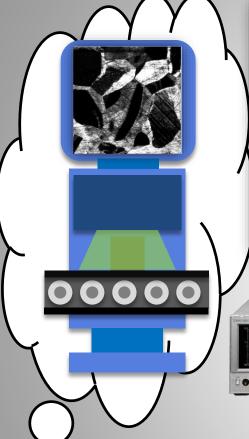


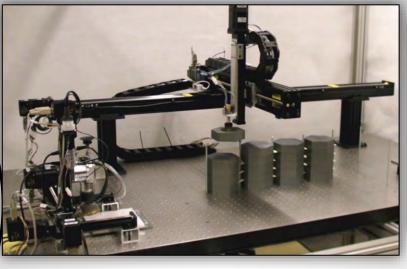


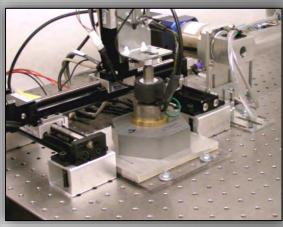


## High-Throughput Armor Characterization



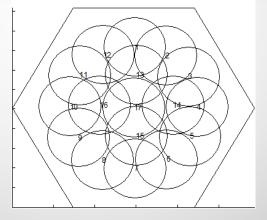


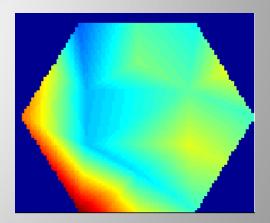




Impedance

Impedance Analyzer





- √ Fast and Non-Destructive
- √ 100's of samples measured at a time

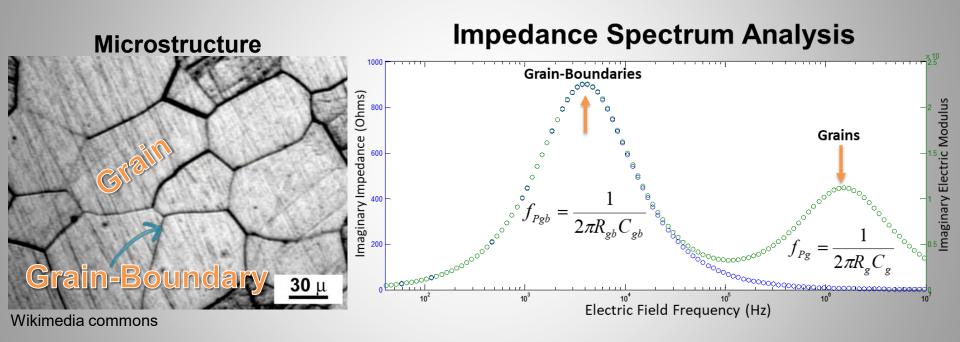




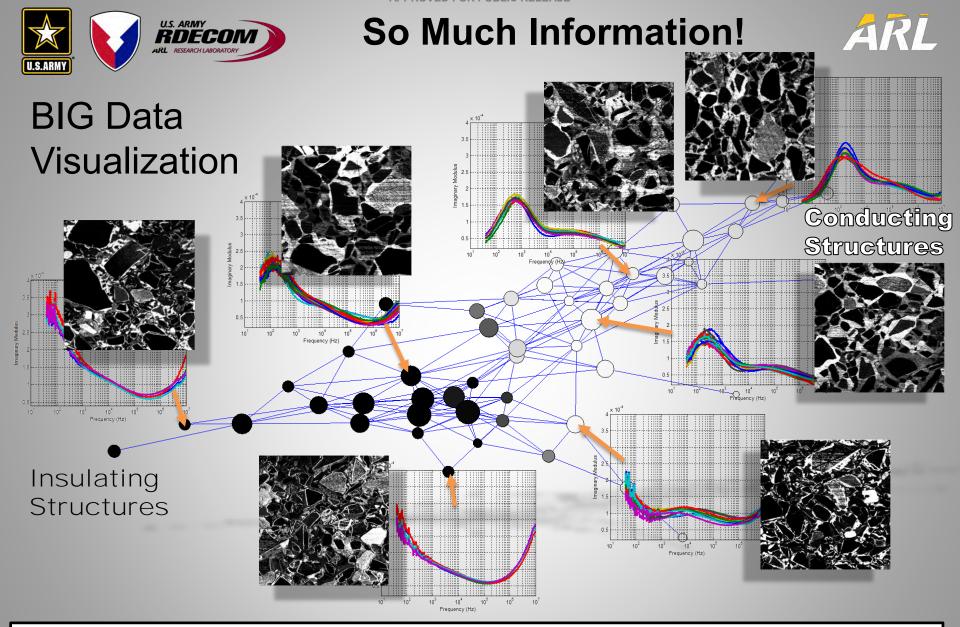
#### **How it Works**



Goal: Link armor structures to processing and performance



Electrical measurements tell us A LOT about the structure



#### Making links between Processing→Structure→Performance

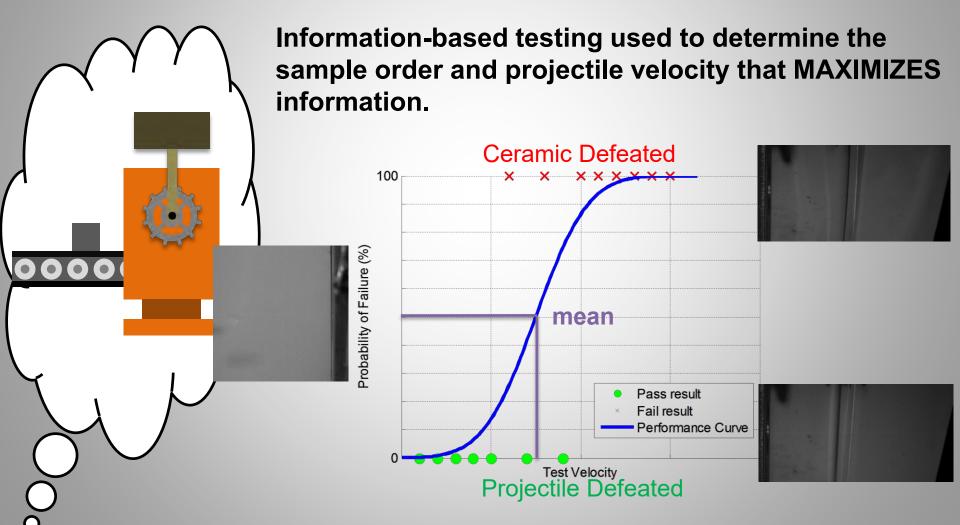


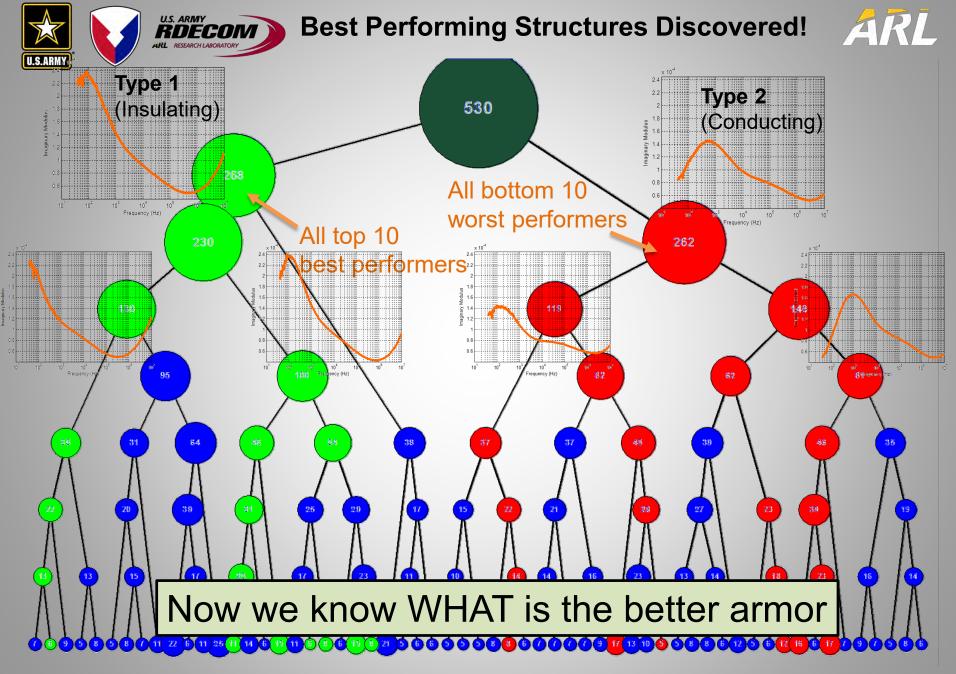


#### A Better Way to Test Performance



#### How to efficiently evaluate the structure's performance?









#### **Best Processing Controls Discovered!**

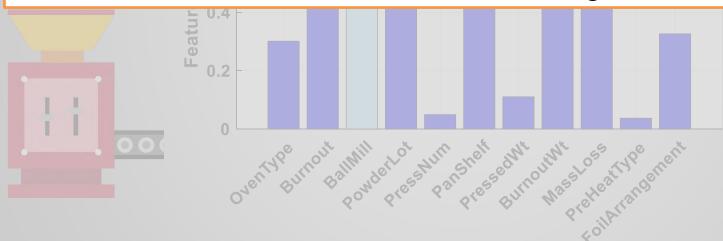






#### **RESULT:**

Knowledge of the structure, prediction of the performance, and better manufacturing.



Now we know HOW to make better armor





#### A Fast-Paced Future for Science



Discoveries!

#### *In the future,*

#### science is automated and discoveries are abundant.†

#### Science of the Past



Discovery

The Future of Science



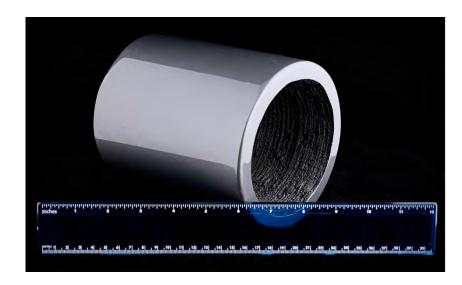
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# Extrusion Based Additively Printed Magnets Outperforming Traditional Injection Molded Magnets

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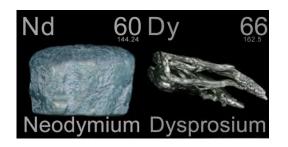
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### Rare Earth Permanent Magnet Applications

> PM are widely used in automobiles, hard disk drives, motors, sensors, wind power generators, transducers, loudspeakers, etc.







#### **Critical Rare Earths**

#### **Rare Earth Magnets**

#### **Automobiles**

Permanent Magnets
Nd (Dy)-Fe-B
Sm-Co

Global production: 140 tons (2020) Global market: \$ 1-2 Billion Permanent Magnets Nd (Dy)-Fe-B Sm-Co

Global market: \$ 41.41 Billion (2022) \$ 21 Billion (2016) (62% NdFeB) More than 25+ types of magnets used; Electric and hybrid cars contain 20-25 lbs. of rare earths.

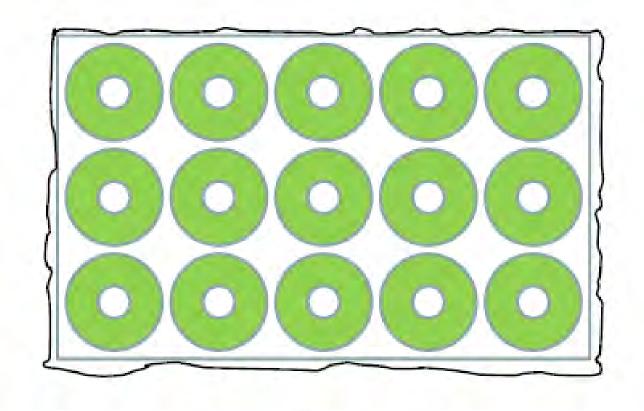
Global market: \$ 1.7 Trillion (2015)

**Present: 90% rare earth world supply – China** 





## Sintered Magnets - Materials Yield Low

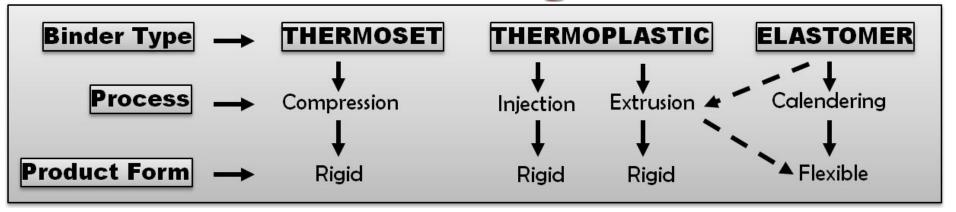


Cored Centers
Utilization – 52%





# Bonded Magnets



<b>Processing Type</b>	<b>Vol. Fraction</b>	Br	(BH)max
	Loading	% of sintered alloy	% of sintered alloy
<b>Explosive compaction</b>	81%	81%	65.6%
<b>Compression Bonded</b>	79%	79%	62.4%
Extruded	75%	75%	56.3%
Injection molded, polyamide	65%	65%	42.3%
Injection molded, PPS	61%	61%	37.2%

 $(BH)_{\max} \sim f^2$ 

Source: Ormerod, J. & Constantinides, S., J. Appl. Phys. 81, 4816–4820 (1997)





### Injection Molded Magnets

#### **Magnetic Materials**

- > Ferrites
- Nd-Fe-B
- Blends of magnetic materials (Nd-Fe-B; SmFeN)

#### **Binder Types**

- Nylon 6 and 12
- PPS (Polyphenylene sulfide)
- > Polyamide

#### **Advantages/Disadvantages**

- Simple or complex shapes
- Operating temperatures: -40 °C to >180 °C
- No post-finishing is required
- Magnet loading: ~ 65 vol %;
  BH<sub>max</sub> (injection) < BH<sub>max</sub> (compression)
- Anisotropic or isotropic wide range of magnetic alignment possible
- High tooling costs: high volume manufacturing
- Mechanical properties: > sintered magnets





# Compression Bonded Magnets

#### **Magnetic Materials**

- > Nd-Fe-B
- > SmCo
- Different grades of materials

#### **Binder Types (thermoset)**

Epoxy (compatible with solvents and automotive fluids)

#### Advantages/Disadvantages

- Simple shapes (cylinder, rectangular, arc)
- ➤ Operating temperatures: -40 °C to >165 °C
- ➤ Magnet loading: ~ 80 vol %;  $BH_{max}$  (compression) >  $BH_{max}$  (injection); but <  $BH_{max}$  (sintered)
- > Low tooling costs: modest volume manufacturing
- Coated with epoxy to reduce corrosion after shaping
- Mechanical properties: > sintered magnets





# Good characteristics of a magnet

- Flux density (B<sub>r</sub>); Energy Product (BH<sub>max</sub>)
- Resistance to demagnetization (Hcj)
- Usable temperature range; Magnetization change with temperature (RTC)
- > Demagnetization (2nd quadrant) Normal curve shape
- Recoil permeability
- Corrosion resistance; Physical strength
- Electrical resistivity' Magnetizing field requirement
- Available sizes, shapes, and manufacturability
- Material availability and product cost

		Compression	<b>Injection Molded</b>
<b>Physical Properties</b>	Sintered NdFeB	<b>Bonded NdFeB</b>	<b>Bonded NdFeB</b>
Density	7.5-7.8 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	5.6-6.0	4.5-5.5
<b>Compressive Strength</b>	850-1050 MPa	80-120	
Young's Modulus	150-160 GPa	0.7-1.0	
Tensile Strength		37	25-40
<b>Electrical Resistivity</b>	1.2-1.6 μ $\Omega$ m	10-30	40-70
Specific Heat	440 J/(Kg.°C)	400	
Thermal Conductivity	9 W/(mK)	2	



OAK RIDGE
National Laboratory

### BONDED MAGNETS - Additive Printing

- Goal: To fabricate near-net shape NdFeB magnets and to minimize the generated waste associated with magnet manufacturing and reduce the overall cost.
  - One of the ways in which we can achieve this goal is by using additive manufacturing (AM) techniques to create complex shapes and geometries of bonded magnets from a computer aided design which requires little or no tooling and post-processing thus reducing the amount of waste generated.
  - Rapid prototyping: Reduced time to market for new magnet/motor designers.

Magnet Powders: Magnequench MQP and MQA NdFeB (Iso and Anisotropic); Aichi-Steel Dy-free NdFeB Magfine; Sm-Co; SmFeN Polymers: Nylon; PPS

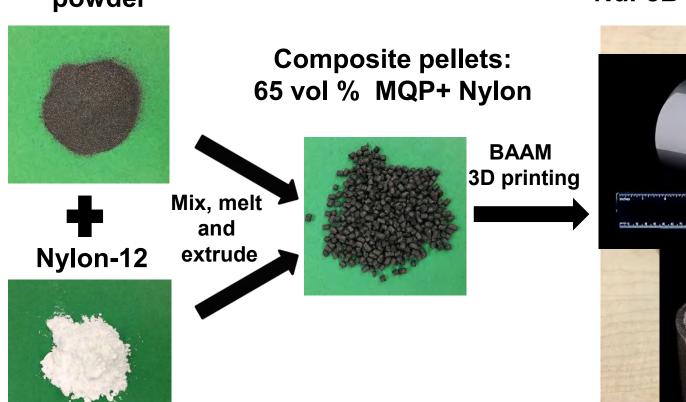


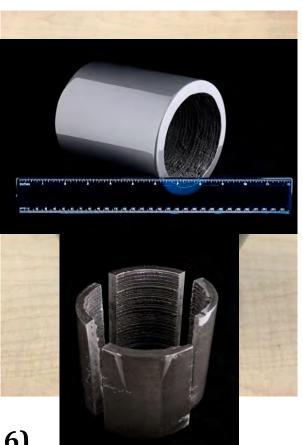


#### Schematic Illustration of the BAAM Process

MQP isotropic powder

Additively printed NdFeB bonded magnets



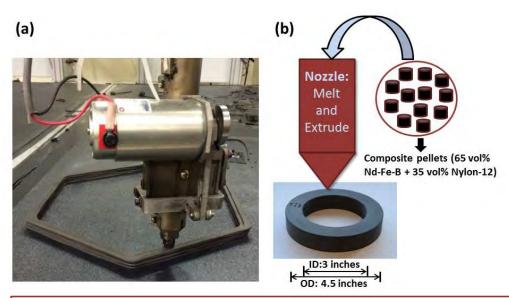


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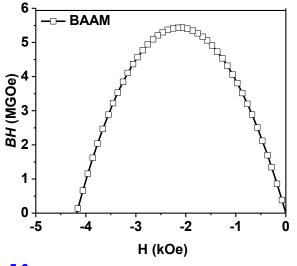


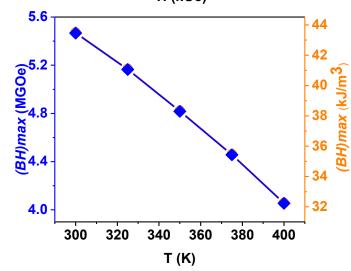
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#### Why AM?

- No tooling required, cost effective
- Minimum critical material (rare earth) waste
- Rapid prototyping
- ➤ No limitation in sizes and shapes
- $\triangleright$  (BH)max = 5.31 MGOe; Density = 4.9 g/cm<sup>3</sup>









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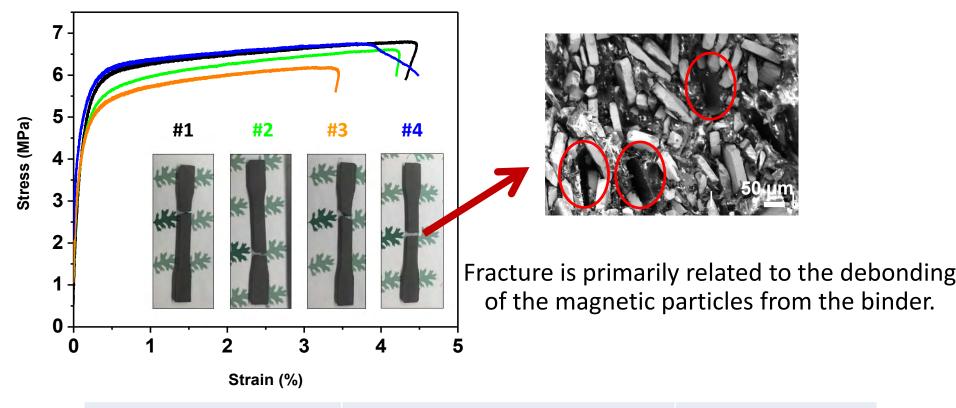
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### **BAAM magnets – Mechanical properties**



Young's Modulus	<b>Ultimate Tensile</b>	Ultimate
(GPa)	Strength (MPa)	<b>Tensile Strain</b>
4.29	6.6	4.18%





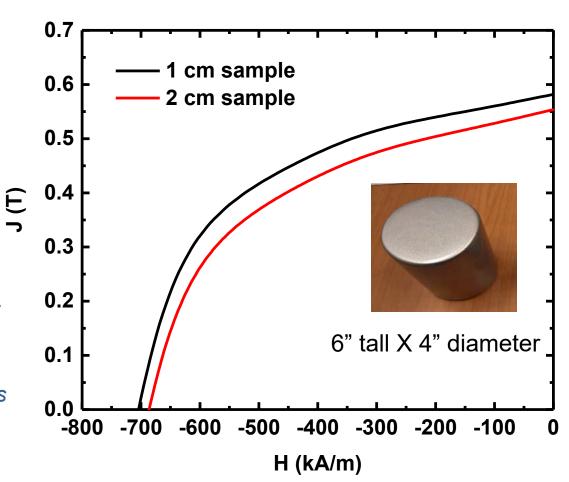
# BAAM Magnets Outperformed Injection Molded Magnets with High Magnet Loading in a Polymer

#### **Achievement:**

Big Area Additively Manufactured (BAAM) NdFeB bonded magnets with 70 vol % magnets compared to 65 vol % magnets using traditional injection molding in nylon.

#### **Research Details:**

- BAAM magnet has density of 5.15 g/cm<sup>3</sup>; intrinsic coercivity *Hci* = 704.2 kA/m; remanence *Br* = 0.58 T; energy product (*BH*)max = 57.7 kJ/m<sup>3</sup> (7.252 MGOe).
- 5% Porosity is present between layers

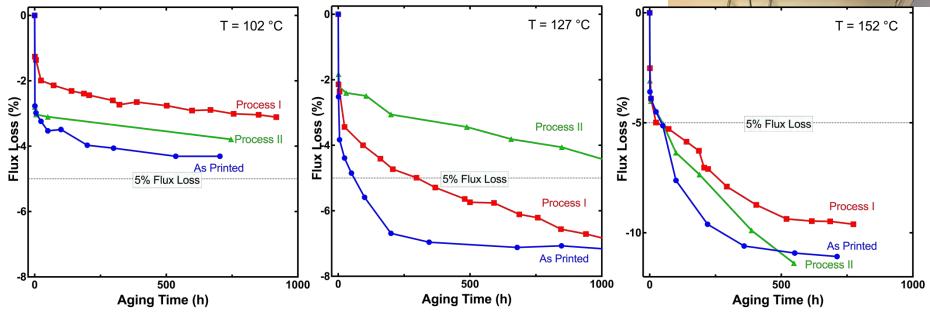


# Additive manufacturing can now be applied to produce high energy product magnets

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### Thermal Stability and Flux Aging Loss of 70 vol% BAAM NdFeB Magnets - Flux Loss



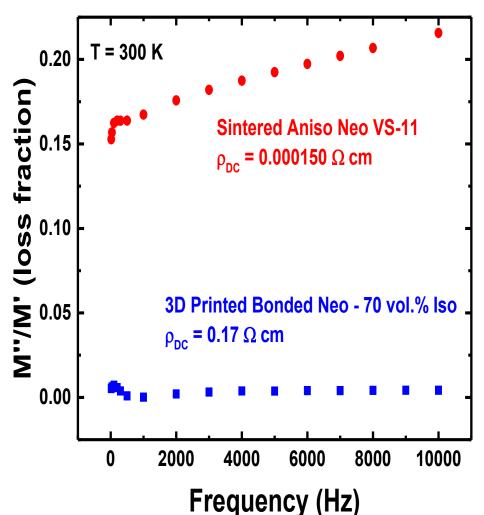


- Stable flux loss for 1000 hours at 77 and 102 °C
- Resin coatings improved the thermal stability and also increased the operation temperature to 127 °C
- Higher temperature stability is limited by the starting magnet composition





# AM magnets outperformed Sintered NdFeB magnets with Reduced Eddy Current Loss and Improved High Resistivity



- Eddy current heating in large motors with permanent magnets can be significant
- Often eddy current heating is reduced by slicing the permanent magnets into smaller pieces
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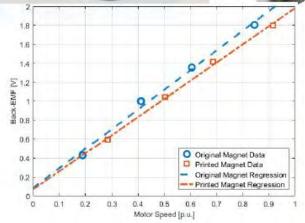


# Successful Demonstration of AM Printed NdFeB Magnets in a DC Motor Configuration

#### **Printed Magnet Motors**



- Replace sintered ferrite with printed NdFeB
- 3D printed small mounting plates for back-to-back testing

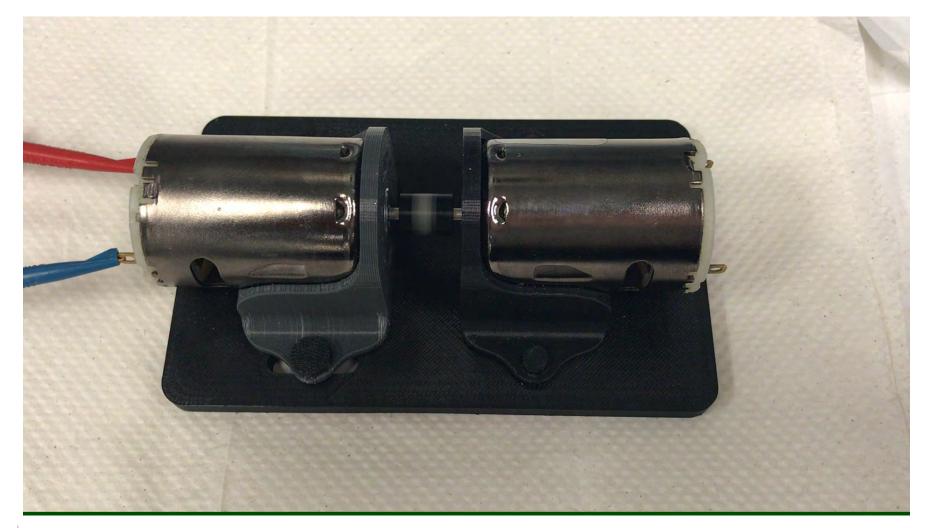




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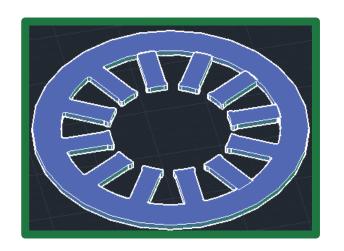
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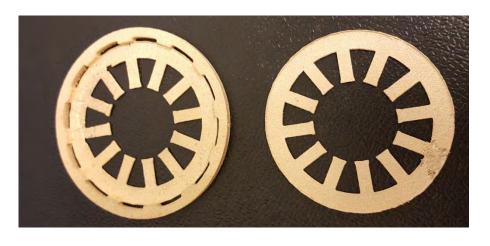




# Prototyping and Printing Stators and Rotors for Electric Motors and Induction Rotors



**CAD Model** 



Binderjet Printed Stators (Cu infiltrated Steel)



Moonshot: AM Motors (stators and rotors)

**BAAM NdFeB Magnets** 





# Summary

- Big Area Additive Manufacturing (BAAM) has been successfully used to fabricate near-net-shape isotropic NdFeB bonded magnets.
- ➤ Magnetic and mechanical characterizations demonstrate that the BAAM fabricated magnets can compete with or outperform the injection molded magnets.
- ➤ Additive manufacturing offers significant advantages such as cost effectiveness (no tooling required), fast speed (simple procedure), and capability of producing parts of unlimited in sizes and shapes.
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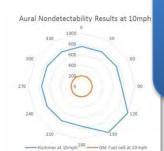
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#### **Operational Impact of Electrification**



#### **Reduced Signature**

- 75%-90% Acoustic Improvement
- Thermal Fuel Cells Run Cooler
- Remain undetected
- Place dismounts closer to objective undetected
- Enables new TTPs, ex: closer support by fire

#### **Enables Improved** Silent Off-Road Mobility

- Extended duration
- High Torque
- Greater Terrain Access
- Increases survivability



### **Enables Water** Generation

- 800 kw = 53 gal water/hour
- Water at point of need
- Improves self-sufficiency

# (Fuel Cell only)

#### **Extended Duration** without Resupply

- Approx 72hr increase in ABCT endurance @ 70% combat power
- 50%-60% increased duration

#### Increased Onboard and **Exportable Power**

- Export up to 100% of on-board power
- **Enables Directed Energy**
- Eliminates need for tow behind
- **Decreases TOC footprint**

#### **Extended Silent** Watch (Fuel Cell)

- 15 kwh per kg of H2
- 4x duration compared to current fielded batteries
- Enables undetected reconnaissance





#### **Defense Electrification Challenges**

	Hybrid (Power Electronics)		All-Electric (Energy Storage)		Fuel Cell
Key Characteristics	Power Density	Temperature Threshold	Capacity (300 mile range)	Charge Rate	Hydrogen Storage
Current / Army or Industry	3kW/L	85C Coolant	~0.15kW/L (best Li Ion)	100 kW	3.4MJ/L
Future Army Requirement	12kW/L	105C Coolant Engine coolant	0.60 kW/L	6 MW	13.6MJ/L
Improvement Required	4x *	24% *	4x **	60x ***	4x ****
Industry Gaps			High power / high energy / temperature a military unique requirement not being developed by industry.	_	Industry not investing in leap ahead military requirement.

<sup>\*</sup> Silicon Carbide power electronics is the emerging capability.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Beyond Lithium Ion energy storage is required.

<sup>\*\*\* 6</sup> MW = ½ hour fill rate. Desired fill rate is ¼ hour = 12 MW.

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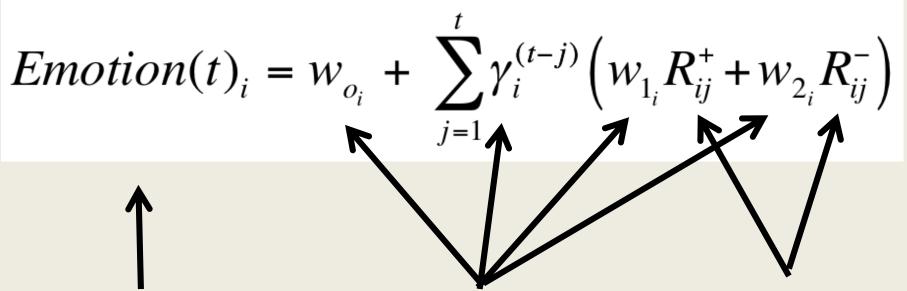
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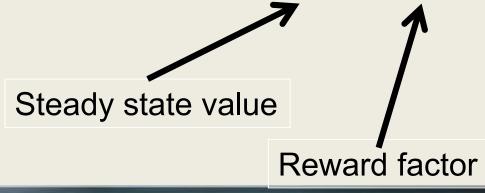


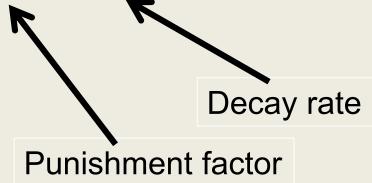
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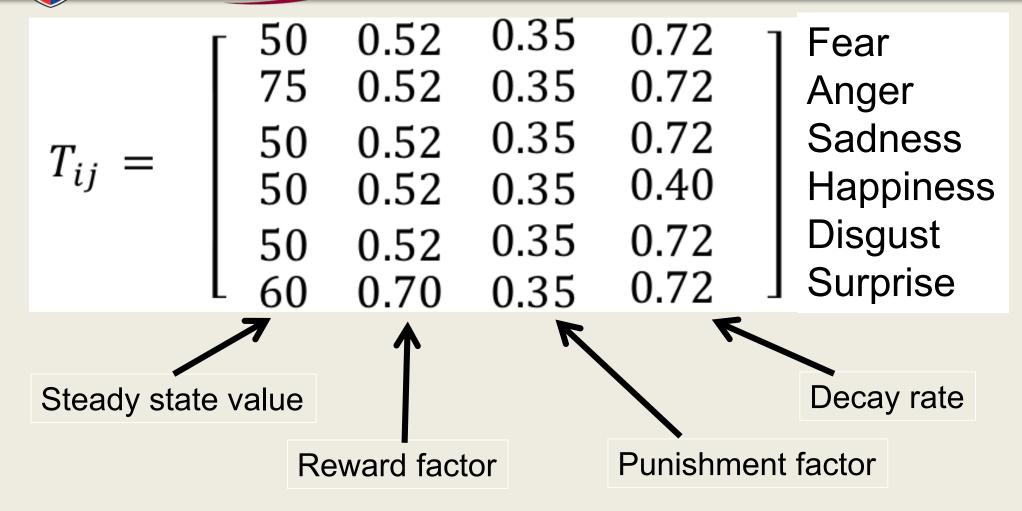






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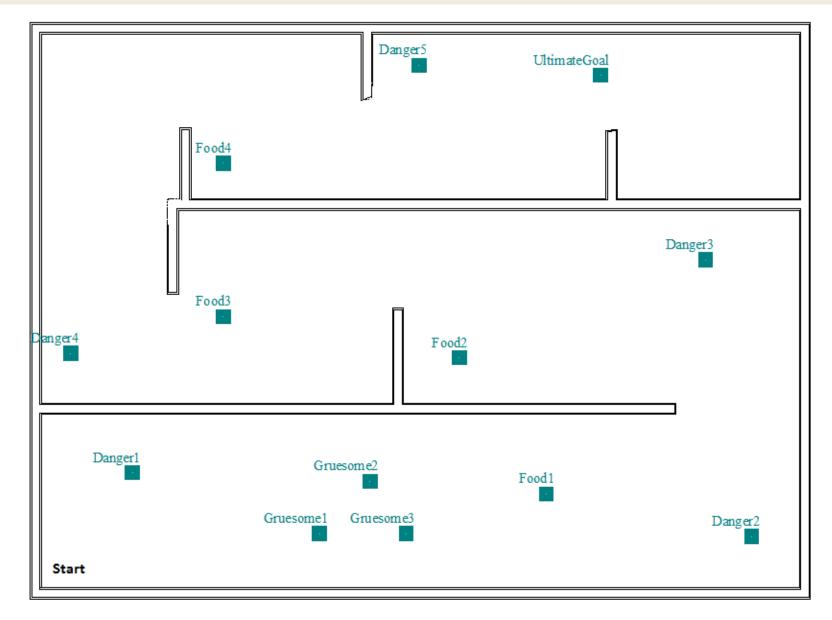
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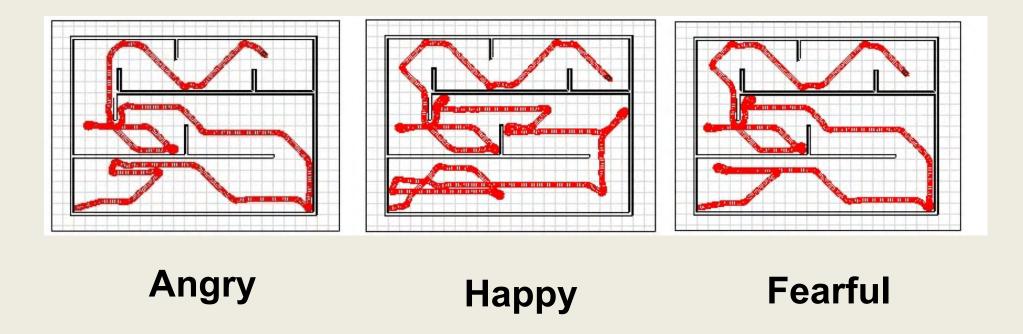






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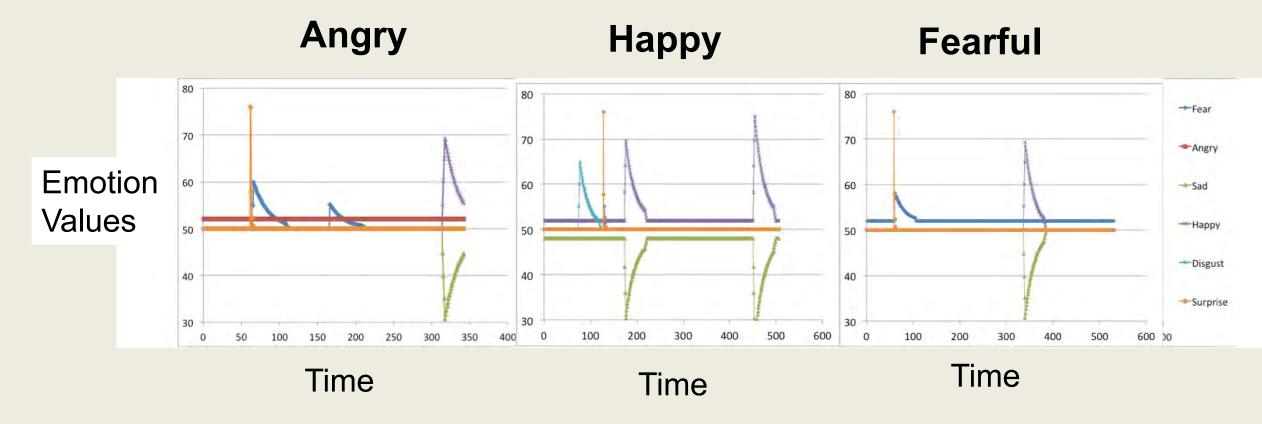
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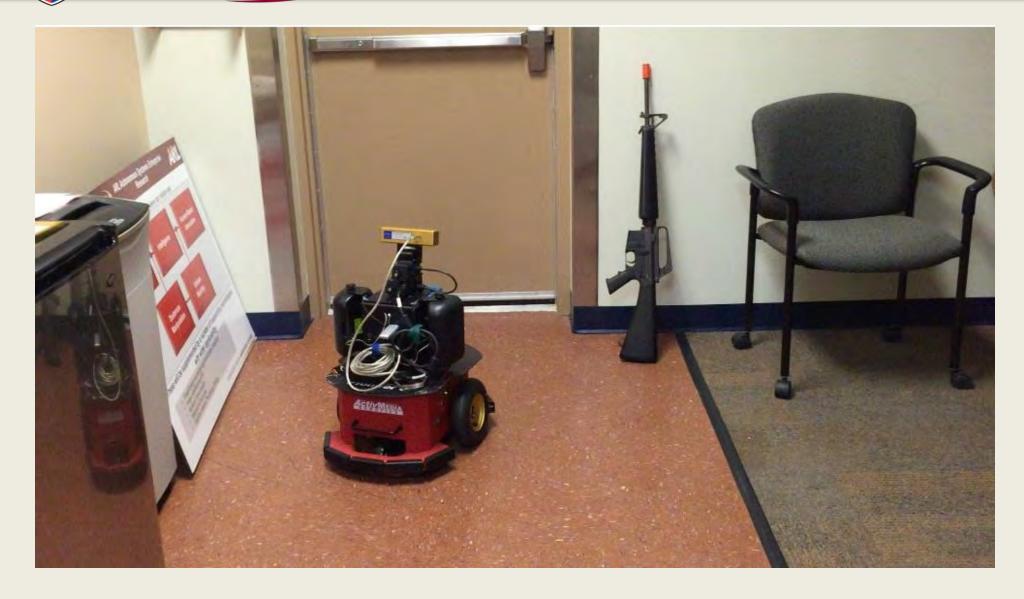
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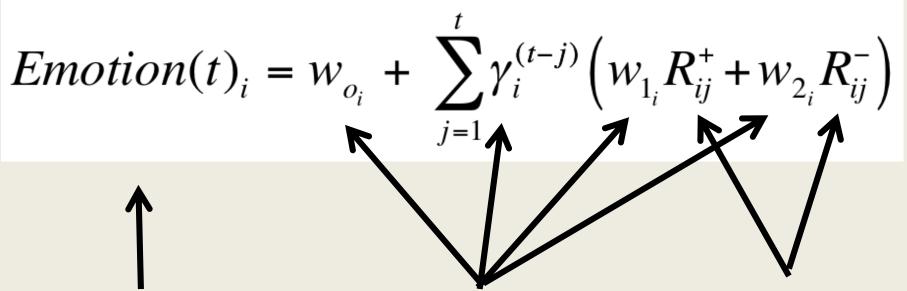
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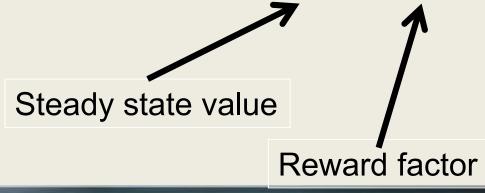


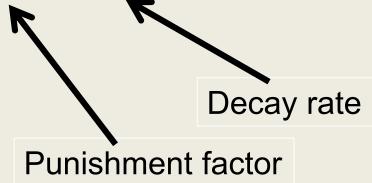
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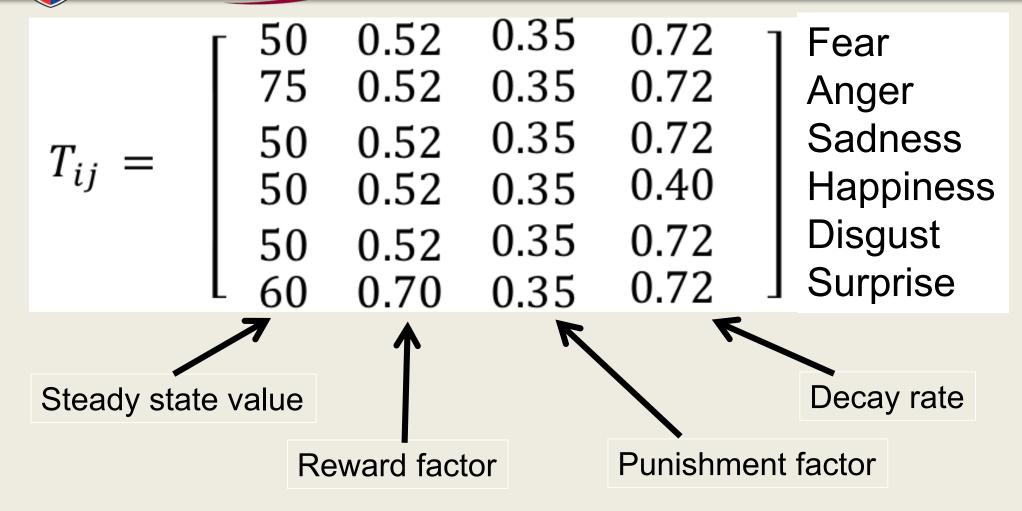






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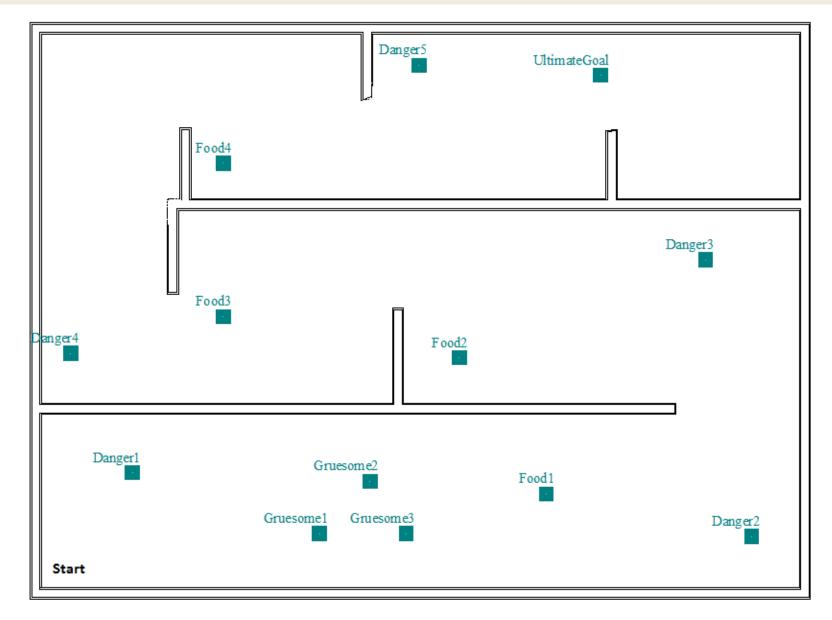
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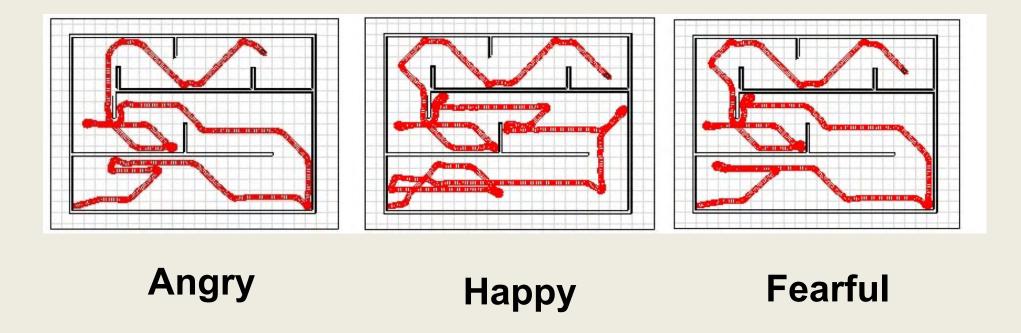






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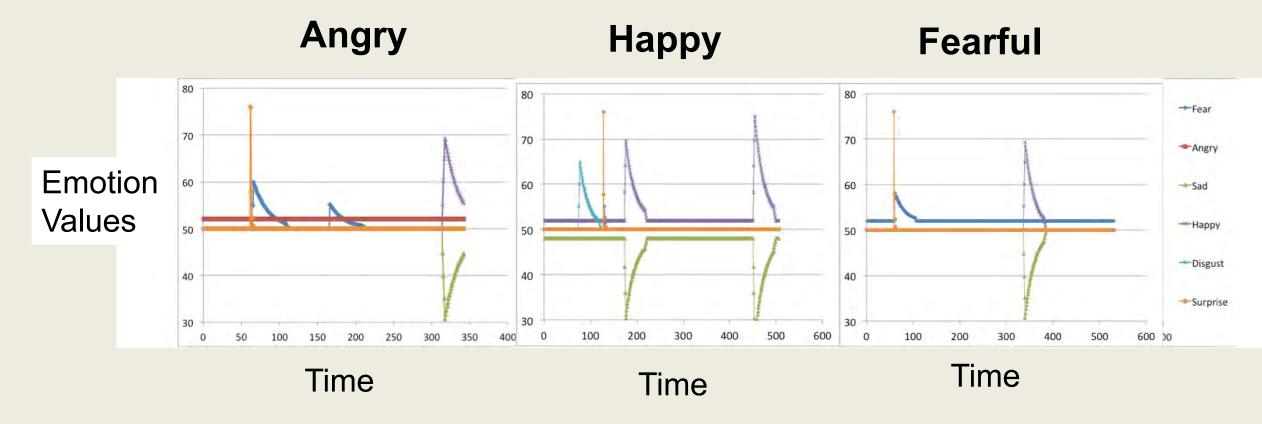
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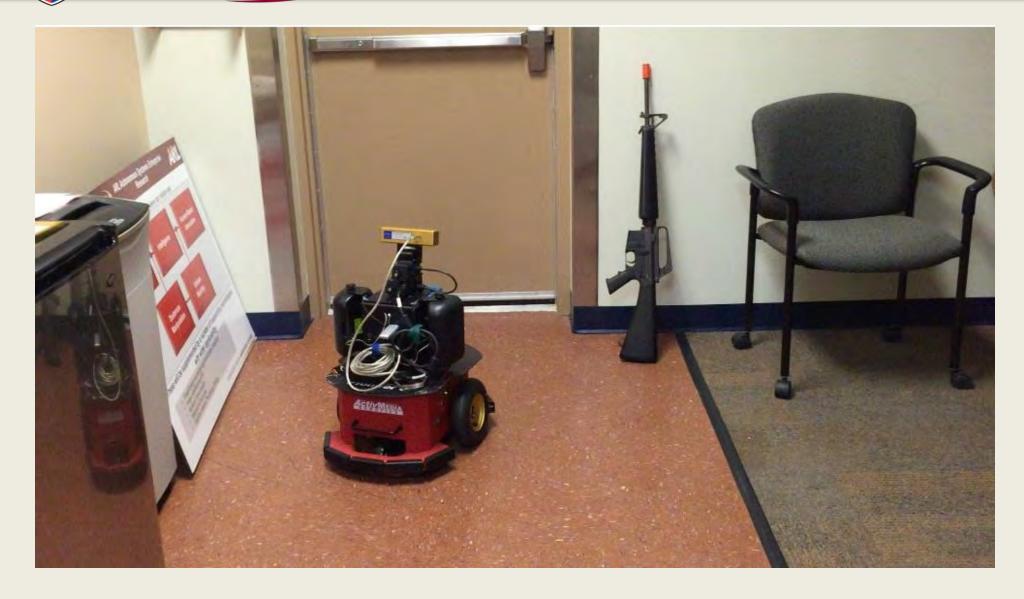
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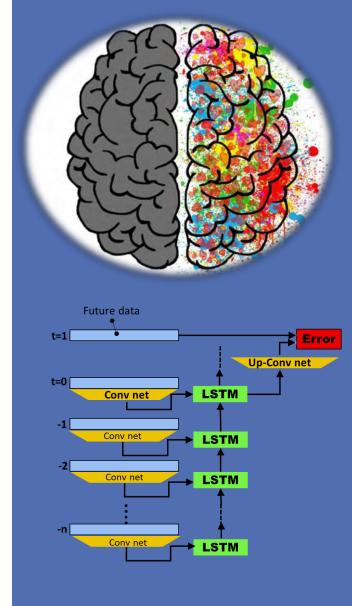
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ALION

#### INTRODUCTION

We use AI to enhance the efficiency of radar detection, tracking, and classification in complex clutter environments.

As a stand-in for conventional signal processing, AI has potential benefits: it reduces computational overhead, enables detection in low SNR, and improves classification.

We explore representation learning using a convolutional architecture with actual unlabeled data, perform experiments to establish usefulness of new data mining techniques, and apply them to our radar target classification system.

- convolutional auto encoder with split-brain structure and L1 sparsity regularization
- convolutional recurrent neural network (to predict future Doppler spectrum)
- linear classifier (to classify tracks from learned representations)

Finding: the network learned unsupervised representations for a moving human target and for clutter, with an underlying ability to discriminate them.

Speculation: a single network can stand in for a large number of different processing steps to simplify a system.



**APPLICATION** 



MOTIVATION



ARCHITECTURE

ALION

#### **GOAL**

- Our radar prototype demonstrated capability to track personnel moving behind three walls; however, the multi-path returns and other moving objects in the scene create complications.
- The user desires include
  - an improved classification capability
  - a capability to discriminate men from women and children
- Tremendous success of ML in object classification in images for disparate applications suggest a potential applicability of such Al tech for our classification problem.
- We can shape radar data as images with
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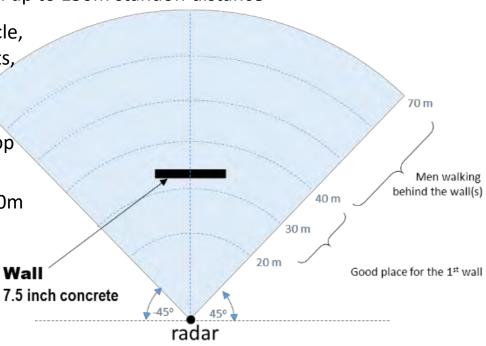


#### ALION RADAR Findr

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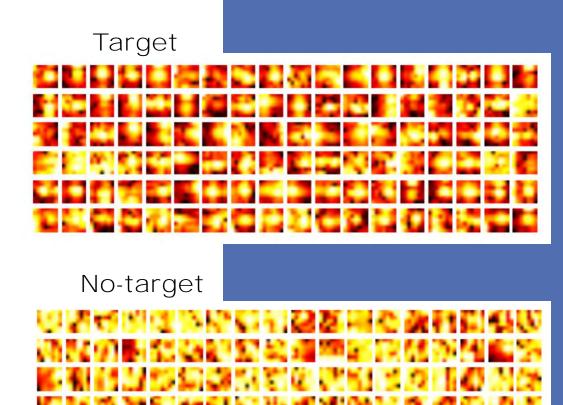
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#### Plan

- create a semi-annotated dataset (from actual data)
- classify 'target' from 'no-targets' in small regions of range-Doppler preprocessed data fields (images)

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- dataset shape (2368, 7, 7, 3)
- labels shape (2368, 2) using one-hot encoding
  - 1184 examples of each class, and each example is a complex 7x7x3 cube slice of the datacube
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A L I O N

#### ML ARCHITECTURE USED

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- Let the neural network learn a representation without labeled data
- This technique works as a feature extraction on images with similar spatial structure to radar images

#### Long Short Term Memory (LSTM) with convolutional layers

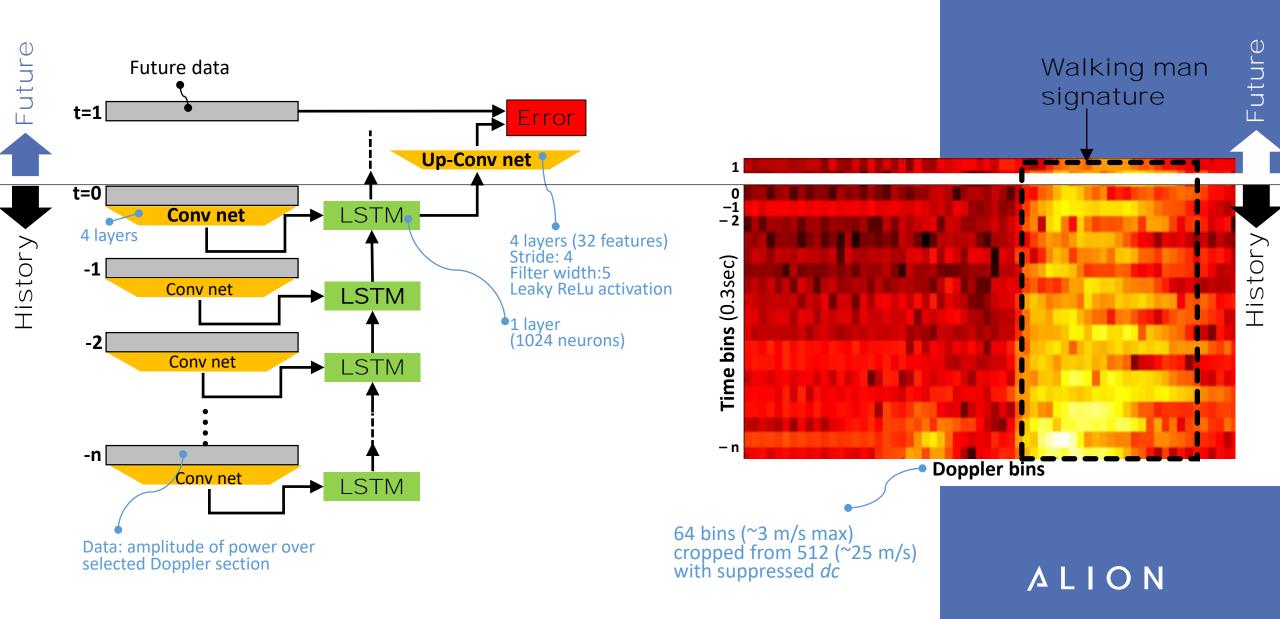
- Run inference by processing each new row of data as it arrives (more efficient than the convolution-over-time approach, processing larger amount of history at each time step)
- Train to predict future frames from past frames. Use a variable amount of history for the prediction. The long term memory is promising for learning a running representation

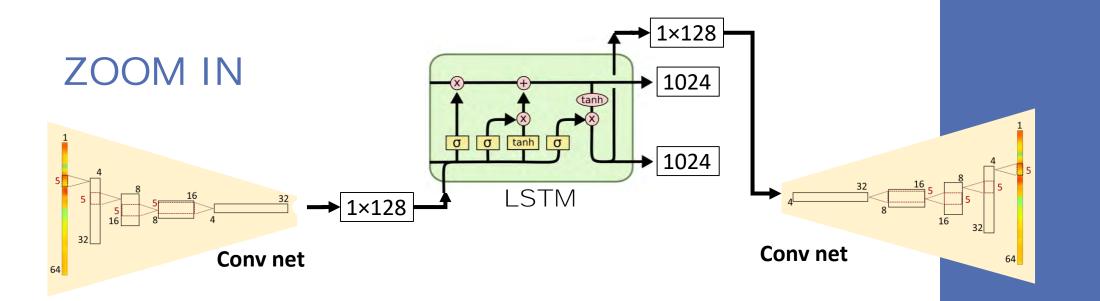


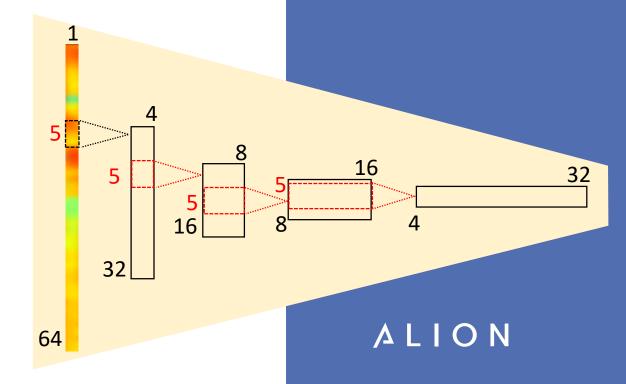
Add time dimension



#### LSTM WITH CONVOLUTIONAL LAYER



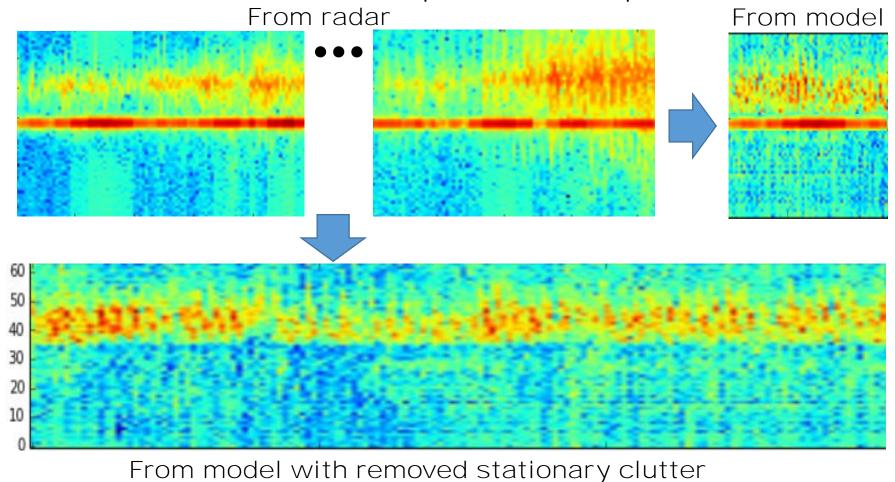




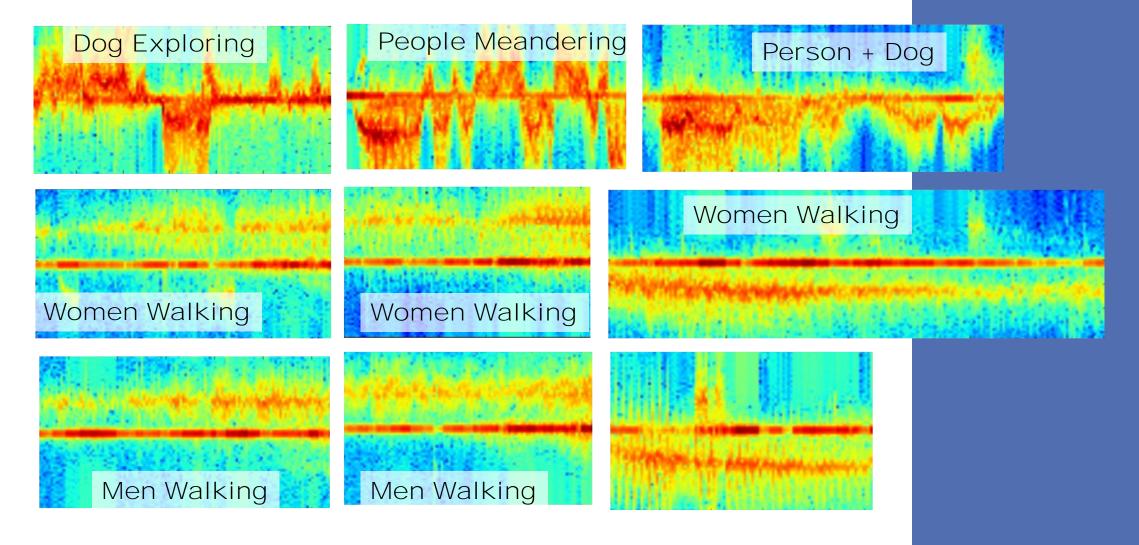
#### RESULTS

To verify that the LSTM has learned the structure of the training data, it's predictions can be fed back into it's input to create a possible Doppler history.

The arm swing Doppler patterns appearing in the generated Doppler history provide proof that the network has learned an internal representation of these patterns.



#### **EXAMPLES OF POTENTIAL CLASSES**



#### CONCLUSIONS

- There is clear feature extraction however better performance is likely possible.
- We tested several architectures.
  - Can improve classification with traditional conv net by using more labeled data and deeper net architecture
  - Can pair a linear classifier with a net trained using unsupervised learning
- We found that shallow configuration (4 layers) can be adequate for feature extraction and feature representation on our radar data.
- We apply our representation as training data for a linear classifier and find that the classifier is effective on small amounts of labeled data. With additional data, we expect generalization to unseen targets.
- Speculations:
  - Using conv net over time appears to be equivalent to using LSTM with memory periodically erased
  - unlabeled data may be sufficient

#### CLOSING

The practical applications of the research is in creating a learned representation of radar images, which includes detecting, tracking, and classifying the radar targets in complex environments.

The following are anticipated changes to existing practice resulting from this research:

 The change in design and signal processing philosophy: there is no longer a need to engineer algorithms based on known statistics to discriminate targets because the neural network organizes data from an existing dataset, finds a process that extracts features, and approximates a classification function. Subsequently, we can use the neural network as a substitute for the engineered algorithm.

The unique finding of this research is the confirmation that the network is capable of learning an unsupervised representation for a moving human target and for clutter with an underlying ability to discriminate them.

Thank You!